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Local church launches innovative project for Mental Health Day. See Page 6.

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Lorries to be banned from Vale village

LORRIES and HGVs weighing 7.5 tonnes or more will be banned from travelling through Llysworney if the Vale Council has its way.

Motorists, especially drivers of heavy goods vehicles, often use the road through the village as it is a convenient route to access business parks and industrial areas in Llandow.

The council's ambition would see any vehicle weighing 7.5 tonnes or more barred from the village, with an exception for vehicles needing access to a property.

Road Haulage Association area manager for South Wales, Will Salkeld, told the GEM: "Cancelling the M4 Relief Road was a blow for businesses relying on an efficient road network so it is crucial that local weight restrictions don't simply push traffic from one stressed area to another.

"Planners must ensure alternative routes will allow hauliers to get their destinations as smoothly as possible."

Cllr Peter King, cabinet member for neighbourhood services and transport, said: "Residents have rightly raised the issue of large numbers of HGVs travelling through the village and I am glad that the council has been able to act to address their concerns. The roads into Llysworney are narrow country lanes and so very unsuited for this type of traffic. The HGV traffic causes significant congestion at peak times. Something that can impact on road safety and air quality, as well as being an obvious safety concern for those living nearby."

Cllr King added: "The provision of a new road as part of the Darren Farm development in Cowbridge will provide a safe, efficient and practical alternative for traffic wanting to travel to and from the Llandow Business Park area. However, in order to maximise the benefits to the community of Llysworney, it is important that we impose a weight restriction so that heavy vehicles are actually prohibited from travelling through the village. When all this was considered, implementing a new weight restriction was an obvious, common sense solution." The restriction will require HGV traffic to join the B4270 at Nash Corner and then re-join the A48 at the new roundabout near Llanfrynach Drive.

A legal notice proposing a Traffic Restriction Order will soon be published and a consultation period will follow. It is hoped the restriction will be in place by the end of the year.

Colour run raised £1,700 for cancer charity

Pupils at a Vale of Glamorgan School raised more than £1,700 for a breast cancer awarness charity with a colour run. Read the full story on Page 5.

Plans for £4.2m school progress

A MAJOR project to build a new 210-place primary school in the Vale of Glamorgan has moved a step closer to becoming a reality.

READ the full story on page 4.

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Ineos deal proves South Wales open for business

THE news that Ineos Automotive will build its new Grenadier 4x4 vehicle at a site in Brocastle is to be hugely welcomed.

The loss of Ford is obviously a massive blow to Bridgend and south Wales, and it is vital that new quality, skilled jobs are created.

Ineos has confirmed that production of the new Land Rover-inspired vehicle will bring up to 500 new roles, and crucially, some of the skills required will be transferable from Ford.

Ultimately, this proves the area is open for business, and while there is still far more to do, it is without doubt a huge vote of confidence in Bridgend and the local workforce.

Andrew RT Davies, South Wales Central Regional AM.

Remember to order your Poppy wreath

IF you require a poppy wreath or any other items for this year's Remembrance commemorations, could you please contact us on 07340 220904 as soon as possible.

This will help us immensely and ensure that we are able to meet your needs.

Roy and Teresa Goodwin, Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal Barry, St Athan, Llantwit Major and Rhoose.

The 'ruling elite' in Wales knows better than the rest of us

ARE the readers of The GEM aware of the proposed changes to the Welsh Assembly constitution being pursued by the members of the Senedd?

These include increasing the number of AMs because of the ever increasing workload of this inefficient and ineffective organisation. At what cost to the taxpayer? Who is going to decide whether this is needed? The AMs of course. The people paying for it are only being consulted! Have you been consulted? Have you seen any consultation documents? Have you been stopped in the street to be consulted?

One other major issue is to reduce the voting age in Welsh elections to 16 year olds.The reason cited is that "... empowering and inspiring young people to vote at 16 is a powerful statement from the Assembly that we value their views, and give them a voice in the future of our nation."

Another good reason is "Research by the Electoral Commission found that in the 2017 local elections in Scotland, 16 and 17 year olds found it easier than 18 to 24 year olds to access information on how to cast their votes, and were less likely to find it difficult to complete their ballot paper." So, if you are over 18 you find it difficult to complete a ballot paper. Of course the statistics show 59 per cent of responders thought it was a good idea. Were you one of the 59 per cent? Were you asked?

They also propose that a reduction in the voting age should be accompanied by "political and citizenship education", or do they mean indoctrination and brainwashing?

There is also a proposal to change the name of the Assembly to Senedd. There was a public consultation about the name change carried out from December 8, 2016 to March 3, 2017. They had 2,821 replies, 61 per cent agreed that it was a good idea or roughly 0.0010 per cent of people responded.

Surely this is another case of "we, the ruling elite, know better than the rest of you".

John Bailey, Llantwit Major.

Thanks for help after fall

ON September 7, I collapsed in a car park in Cowbridge, damaging my head and shoulder.

When I came to, a number of people were tending to me, including a doctor who I understand called the Princess of Wales Hospital, informing them of my problems.

I must express my sincere gratitude to all those who cared for me in hospital.

D Allin, Cowbridge.

'The needs of the many seem ignored'

THE Vale Council signed a 'Design & Build' contract for the construction of the new A4226, to replace Five Mile Lane.

This means that the contractor builds the road, then supplies drawings of the finished project, giving no opportunity for scrutiny of the design by councillors or the public. I have met both Lee Waters AM, the Minister responsible for active travel in Wales and Phil Jones, who wrote the Welsh Government's active travel design guidance. I showed them photographs of the active travel infrastructure that has been built along the A4226, and asked them if it complies with Welsh Government guidance.

They both grimaced and replied "no" – the answer I was expecting.

Children as young as four and their families may wish to visit the Amelia Trust Farm by bicycle, but to do so, they will have to ride on the adopted highway with lorries, etc. Where there are segregated paths? They are uncomfortably close to the fast road, unprotected from errant vehicles and offer a child no protection should they wobble and fall towards the road.

Those using the new road will also see some bridle paths that if paved, would make excellent active travel paths. There is no excuse for the dire walking and cycling infrastructure that has been provided by those who avoid scrutiny and are not held to account for their use of public money. The needs of children and their families are ignored by decision-makers. Infrastructure is built exclusively for car drivers and the adults who will always cycle on busy, fast roads. We need our political leaders to get a grip of the problems and start to think about, and work for, the youngest and most vulnerable in our society – not just the most visible and loudest.

Ian Perry, Vale of Glamorgan.

'The credit for regeneration should go where it is due'

MOST people in the Vale are well used to images of their MP, Alun Cairns claiming credit for anything ever achieved by anyone including the regeneration of Barry, the Vale or the whole of Wales.

Last week, however, I admit to being stunned by claims in local and social media that he and his Conservative colleagues are delivering new playgrounds in Barry's Highlight Park and The Murch, Dinas Powys.

Proposals for Highlight Park were binned by the Conservatives when they took over in the Vale Council in 2017. I know, as the records clearly show I challenged their colleague Cllr Gordon Kemp about it in December 2017. Similarly, the proposals for the Murch playground in Dinas Powys can be traced back to before 2016, well before the time of the current Conservative councillors.

Credit where it's due – and that's not to Vale Conservative councillors or Alun Cairns.

Cllr Lis Burnett, Cabinet Member for Education and Regeneration.

The GEM put Cllr Burnett's statements to the Vale Conservatives. A spokesperson said: *"These claims by Cllr Burnett are factually incorrect. Sadly, the Vale Council is inefficient, officer-led and most projects move at a snail's pace.*

"The play areas in Highlight Park and The Murch were in desperate need of an upgrade, and it was only through sustained pressure and campaigning over many years from the Conservative ward members that they were treated as the priorities they needed to be. Otherwise, they would have been cast aside in a bureaucratic minefield, never to see the light of day.

"It has only been in power a matter of weeks, but the Labour-Vale Independent coalition has already caused chaos by rushing through recycling changes, betrayed the people of Llancarfan by closing their local school and the Leader of the Council publicly admitted you cannot trust the promises his party makes on its election leaflets. It is clear a culture change is needed within the Council, and Vale Conservatives will make no apologies for putting local communities first."

Mr Cairns added: "As readers can see, Conservative Councillors have played an active role in securing new play facilities, working with community groups both at Highlight Park and at the Murch. It's odd that Cllr Burnett would make such an intervention on initiatives she had no involvement with.

"As Vale MP, I have been working hard to secure regeneration and investment. I've showcased Barry to an international audience, helping to attract further investment. In recent years we've seen an upturn for Barry Island and let's not forget the arrival of Aston Martin.

"Rather than focusing on our achievements, I strongly recommend that Cllr Burnett works on the key issues facing the Vale Council. Cllr Burnett and her Labour colleagues promised to reject parking charges, that Llancarfan School wouldn't close under a Labour administration and that they would protect Cowbridge livestock market. Instead of playing party politics, they should be reassuring residents and businesses that they will deliver on their promises, on which they are currently failing."

'Give thanks for what we have, and for where we live'

AT a time when political discourse has been brought down to the level of playschool epithets what a joy it has been for the last two weeks to be able temporarily to forget the trials and tribulations of the current situation and give oneself up to the joys and consolation of music.

The 10th Cowbridge Music Festival has just ended and we have been privileged to hear an amazing variety of musicians from around the world playing here in our small town.

And in a delightful coincidence, at the opening and closing weekends of the Festival it was possible to buy a wonderful assortment of home made produce from the WI Country Market; the very same Welsh cakes, jams, chutneys, fudge and other delights that filled the gift bags given to the artists at the end of each performance and which gave them so much pleasure.

Truly a time to give thanks for the blessings of life here in the Vale.

Peter Knapp, Cowbridge.

The grass *is* greener...

I MUST express my thanks to The GEM for combining the Vale and Bridgend letters' pages.

To read what concerns people 'over the border' is interesting. Many letters recently seem to have been about recycling and the new scheme introduced in the Vale.

There appears to be much concern – overwrought to the point of hysteria in a style not dissimilar to Greta Thunberg – about the new scheme although the arguments really don't stand up to examination.

A very similar scheme was introduced in Bridgend a couple of years ago, and similar, if not nearly identical, concerns were raised then. I put out my bags having separated (it's not hard) the waste. I walk – and wheel my baby's pushchair – on the pavements past others' bags. I occasionally pick up a bit of litter that has blown from someone else's bags.

There are, in life, more things to be concerned about than a new recycling regime.

Patricia Eldritch, Coity.

HIGH TIDE TIMES

The high tides listed in this week's Gem are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tides times will vary. For instance, in Barry the high point will be 20-25 minutes later.

UNTIL OCTOBER 3

Date	Time	Height (metres)
26/09/2019	05.06	8.7
26/09/2019	17.32	9.3
27/09/2019	05.59	9.7
27/09/2019	18.22	10.1
28/09/2019	06.53	10.4
28/09/2019	19.13	10.6
29/09/2019	07.38	10.8
29/09/2019	19.56	10.9
30/09/2019	08.21	11.0
30/09/2019	20.39	10.9
01/10/2019	08.59	10.8
01/10/2019	21.22	10.6
02/10/2019	09.43	10.4
02/10/2019	21.59	10.3
03/10/2019	10.22	9.9
03/10/2019	22.43	9.6

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Lions help send players on rugby tour abroad

President Sue Taylor helping youngsters on their way to Luxembourg with £250 donation.

PRESIDENT of the Llantwit Major and Cowbridge Lions Club, Sue Taylor, presented a cheque for £250 to Llantwit Major RFC recently.

The money will go towards sending the club's under 11s on a tour to Luxembourg in May next year to take part in the JP Morgan International Tournament.

A spokesman said: "Being the first Llantwit Major rugby team to tour Luxembourg will be exciting and will add another country to the rugby landscape for the town.

"They need to raise in excess of £4,000 for the 20 players and are looking for help in raising the funds, to give the players an incredible experience."

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Major clean-up for Sully Bay

SULLY Bay in Penarth will receive a thorough clean on Saturday, October 19 as part of the Marine Conservation Society's annual Great British Beach Clean events.

The marine charity is urging volunteers to join Sully village group at the beach – one of hundreds of beauty spots being spruced up along the UK coastline.

Volunteers will also record the litter collected, contributing to valuable data which has helped the society change policy and behaviours.

The 5p carrier bag charge and the reduction in the use of plastic straws have all been informed by evidence gathered by volunteers at the beach cleans.

Sully village group is organising the clean-up, their first ever beach clean and likely to be the first of many.

Co-chairman of the Sully group, Hannah, said: "The event is more than just a beach clean – it's a fun and informative social occasion to spend time enjoying and caring for the UK's coast."

Lizzie Prior, the society's beachwatch officer said: "Beach litter is a serious environmental problem, but the solution is in our hands. We want the 26th Great British Beach Clean weekend to be the biggest ever. The BBC's Blue Planet II and subsequent programmes have given the UK public a real understanding of the pollution crisis facing our oceans and now people want to make a difference. The more volunteers we have, the better it'll be for our seas."

The four main sources of litter found on UK beaches come from the public, fishing, sanitary waste (particularly cotton bud sticks) and shipping. Join the volunteers at the Jubilee Hall, Smithies Avenue on October 19 at 1.30pm and take part. Equipment will be provided. Volunteers can register online at www.mcsuk.org/beachwatch and via the Sully Village Group page or speak with Hannah directly by emailing sullyvillagegroup@hotmail.com.

Council to buy back homes

FORMER council homes sold off under the 'right to buy' scheme are among properties set to be bought back by Vale Council.

A new plan has been unveiled by the council which would allow it to buy back former council homes, run-down empty properties, new houses and from the open market. The council's new policy sets out how it would buy more homes to "contribute to the provision of affordable or social housing".

The council says it is "frequently" being approached by owners of former council homes looking to sell properties back, and it is also looking to take on problematic empty homes which have "blighted" communities. The authority has not previously been able to buy former council homes or empty properties due to the lack of "policy guidance and an approval process". The Vale of Glamorgan needs an extra 576 new affordable homes every year to keep up with demand, according to a Local Housing Market Assessment in 2017.

A council report said: "Not only will this improve our ability to meet the housing needs of the people of the Vale, it will also help us to finance and deliver a robust programme for continued investment in our existing homes.

"As Universal Credit is rolled out across the residents of the borough, it is becoming clearer and an increasing number of private rental landlords are less willing to rent to those dependent on the benefits system. This is placing additional pressures on those serving this sector of the market, as demand for rented accommodation increases." The new Housing and Property Acquisitions Policy includes redeveloping the council's existing housing stock, buying new-build homes and working with developers to secure council properties on new housing sites. Buying open market properties is more financially risky for the council due to the condition of heating systems and the potential for legionella, possible asbestos, the energy peformance of the homes and the cost of refurbishing them.

The council said it "must now consider" buying open market homes when they are approached by owners of former council homes on sites which could provide new affordable housing developments, or where leaseholders of council-owned blocks cannot afford to pay service charges for refurbishments. Other circumstances in which the council would be asked to consider buying open market homes would be new builds that are vacant when they come to market or if "there is a clear strategic reason for wishing to secure the property". The council's Housing Business Plan has allocated £236m over the next 30 years towards the development of new council homes. The cabinet has agreed to refer the policy to a council scrutiny committee before a final decision is made.

Matt Discombe, LDRS

In the dock

Fraudster, 75, spared jail

A PENSIONER who for nine years defrauded the benefit system to the tune of £26,000 has received a 10-month prison sentence, suspended for a year at Cardiff Crown Court.

Barry Cummings, 75, of Fair Oaks, Dinas Powys, pleaded guilty to five offences of benefit fraud.

Judge Jeremy Jenkins said: "I am sure that when you realised what had happened there was a feeling of great shame."

He said he had lived an industrious and hard-working life.

Prosecutor Nuhu Gobir said he had made false statements to claim pension credit and housing benefit from April 2009 to August 2018 involving £26,361.71 in overpayment after failing to declare that his wife was employed as a care worker.

He was interviewed by the authorities last October and said he could not account why he had not declared his wife's employment and was happy to pay back any money he owed.

His solicitor, Adam Sharp, said he had been making repayments of £30 a fortnight.

"He has certain limitations. He is profoundly deaf, stammers and retired 25 years ago with COPD and an irregular heart beat.

"He has not tried to minimise what happened and he is utterly ashamed and his family feel acutely embarrassed."

There was good reason, said Mr Sharp, not to send him to prison and he would not trouble the court again.

No jail for mother after hammer attack on son

A MOTHER has been sentenced to a 12-month community order at Cardiff Crown Court for carrying out an attack on her son with a hammer after her patience "completely snapped".

Jane Lewis, 57, of High Street, Barry, with no previous convictions, had admitted causing actual bodily harm to Sam Lewis.

Judge Neil Bidder QC, said: "This was an extraordinary one off incident by a lady whose patience completely snapped."

The victim, he said, did not want his mother sent to prison.

Prosecutor Lowri Wynn Morgan said she assaulted Sam Lewis with the hammer, striking him a number of times, injuring his hands and forehead.

She believed he had stolen her computer.

When arrested, she accepted the assault took place and said he constantly stole from her to get money for drugs.

She also said she could not recall striking him.

Her counsel, Ieuan Bennett, said she took anti-depressants and had long term mental health problems.

The victim had apologised for his behaviour and for making his mother's life a misery.

Judge Bidder said: "It is very sad to see a lady who has been in a caring occupation losing her good character.

"It was clearly a serious assault but didn't lead to significant injuries that drew blood."

The sentence includes a 15-day rehabilitation requirement and an order to pay costs of £340, and a court surcharge of £85.

Both reports by AJ Sicluna.

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New school plans progress

PLANS for a new 210-place primary school in the Vale of Glamorgan have taken a step further.

St Nicholas CiW Primary School is set to expand and move to a new building after the expansion was approved by the council. The proposed new £4.2m school would allow the school to expand from 126 to 210 places, lower the age range of pupils from four to three years old and have a new nursery class with 48 part-time places from September 2021.

St Nicholas Primary's existing site was earmarked for the new building as part of a consultation on expanding the capacity of the school.

The expansion plans were approved by the council's ruling body, despite 47 people making formal objections. The design and location of the school are yet to be finalised.

People had raised concerns about potential traffic congestion as a result of the new school being built and suggested an alternative site.

Cllr Jonathan Bird, who represents the Wenvoe ward, told the council: "While I support and encourage the long overdue changes from 126 children to 210 in a new one-site school, I have major concerns about suitable vehicle and pedestrian access to the existing site.

"I would urge that the council does all in its power to build the new school on a new site on the eastern edge of St Nicholas with its own direct access from the A48."

In a response to the consultation, the school's governing body said it is discussing the possibility of moving the new school to another site.

The final design and location of the school would have to get planning permission in order to go ahead, which would involve a further consultation with neighbours.

A transport assessment would also be undertaken as part of that process.

If a new site is chosen more than one mile from the existing school, another consultation process to expand the school – known as a regulated alteration – would have to be run.

The school would be funded 65 per cent by the Welsh Government and 35 per cent by the council.

Matt Discombe, LDRS.

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St Mary's Church, Bonvilston – update

THERE has been some interesting news since the last report: following the recent church inspection, it is known that major works are needed to the tower.

In fact, £100,000 worth of works, including a new roof, steelwork and stonework. The tower and chancel arch date from the 12th century and are probably the oldest structures to be found in the village.

The other recent change has been to the organisational structure with the creation of the Benefice of the East Vale. The Benefice comprises the six churches of St Nicholas, St Brides, Peterston, Pendoylan, St Donat's and Bonvilston. Each congregation now has a church committee. There are a couple of vacancies on the St Mary's Church committee; if anyone is interested in joining, please get in touch through one of the emails below. The committee meets around five times each year.

The major task facing the church is the repair of the tower, which will require all the financial resources and skills that can be mustered. Most of the money will have to be found through grants and the committee will be pursuing all possible sources of funding. A fundraising group and assistance with grant applications is needed. If you feel that you would be able to contribute in whatever way, get in touch. The fundraising efforts will help to support St Mary's Church as a significant historical building in Bonvilston and provide evidence to funding bodies that there is community support.

A meeting will take place on Monday, October 7 in the Red Lion at 7.30pm to plan a way forward; if you are interested come along. If you are unable to attend but want to discuss what contribution you could make, contact Paul Fisher at stmaryschurch@bonvilstonvillage.co.uk. Financial contributions are also welcome and if you wish to donate to this important cause, contact St Mary's treasurer, Geoff Mitchell, by email at stmarystreasurer@bonvilstonvillage.co.uk.

Clubs and societies round-up

Cowbridge U3A

COWBRIDGE U3A recently welcomed speaker Sharon Littley, who was born and brought up in the Bridgend area.

It was by chance that she first came to wood carving, but it was soon obvious she had a flair for the craft. Sharon can now be considered a master of the art.

Her illustrated talk was on wood carving and love spoons, with many examples of her work there to handle.

One of the largest love spoons she has carved is five feet long (1.52m) and currently hanging in IKEA in Cardiff.

The next meeting is in Cowbridge Town Hall from 2pm on October 9 and will feature a talk by Selwyn Keenan, entitled 'Mountain Rescue,' Visitors welcome.

SPM

NFU Ladies

THE NFU Ladies were welcomed back after their summer break with new members Lynette Thomas and Jane Featherstone.

Keith Jones gave a talk on 'Memorable Welsh firsts.'

Janet Goldsworthy gave a vote of thanks and new member Ms Featherstone won the raffle.

The next meeting will be held on October 15 at 7.30pm in Penllyn Village Hall, when the speaker will be David Maddock on 'Women's voices in south Wales.' All are welcome.

RJE

St Hilary WI

ST Hilary WI recently met on September 10 at a special meeting, hosting visitors from Pendoylan WI.

Speaker Eurwen Richards gave a talk 'All About Cheese', a subject on which she is eminently qualified to speak. Apart from many other accolades, Eurwen has received an award at the World Cheese Awards, where she has been a judge for the past 25 years.

Eurwen's talk on the history of cheese and her own experiences with the making of different kinds of cheese was interesting and entertaining.

The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Tuesday, October 8 at 7pm when the guest speaker will be Liz Loch who will tell members 'All About Bees'.

SD

Cowbridge Art Society

COWBRIDGE Art Society starts its new autumn programme of art demonstrations and assisted workshops on September 26 with a mixed media demonstration by Pete Monaghan.

Mr Monaghan has a fascination with vernacular architecture, especially barns and farmsteads and celebrates the beauty and dignity of humble buildings.

The following week, October 3, there will be a line and wash demonstration featuring buildings by artist, author and demonstrator Paul Weaver.

The society meets in the Old Hall from 7pm - 9pm on Thursday evenings. Details of the upcoming term's programme are available in the foyer of the Old Hall in Cowbridge. Membership information plus the complete 2019/20 programme is available at facebook.com/cowbridgeart.cas.

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NFU's concerns over pest control measures

THE Farmers' Union of Wales has slammed a decision by Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to further restrict the ability of farmers and conservationists to control birds which are damaging crops or livestock, spreading disease or causing harm to species of conservation concern.

New General Licences for the control of certain bird species will come into effect on October 7, introducing significant additional restrictions for farmers and conservationists, compared with the current licence - and they even tie the hands of NRW staff seeking to protect rare species on Welsh Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs).

FUW Land Use Committee chairman Tudur Parry said: "NRW are running scared following a legal challenge earlier in the year in England from pressure group Wild Justice. No such legal challenge has been made in Wales.

"It was certainly right of NRW to have reviewed the current legislation in light of what happened in England, but the new licences go further than just making them legally watertight. "

Mr Parry said that the advice given by the FUW and others with an interest in farming and conservation in regular meetings with NRW since February had effectively been ignored, meaning that the new rules would prevent or restrict important conservation work as well as preventing farmers from protecting their crops and livestock.

Mr Parry added: "NRW has statutory obligations with regard to protecting biodiversity, but have introduced changes which will actually make it more difficult to control species that cause immense damage to wildlife.

"They have even added an extra layer of restrictions close to Sites of Special Scientific Interest, many of which will now be more vulnerable to attacks by certain bird species."

Responding to the decision to no longer allow rooks to be controlled where they are damaging crops or spreading disease, Mr Parry said: "Rooks cause huge damage to crops all over Wales, and can decimate vast areas. For example, where seeds have been sown, and preventing such damage being caused by a very common species is ridiculous."

Rooks and carrion crows will no longer be subject to pest control measures.

A new licence no longer allows carrion crow, magpie, jackdaw, rook, jay, collared dove or wood pigeon to be controlled to protect public health, with the feral pigeon being the only species left on the list.

Another of the new licences, says the NFU, massively restricts actions that can be taken to conserve wild birds, and does not allow actions to protect Wales' most threatened species.

The new general licences will not apply in, or within 300 metres of 203 Welsh Sites of Special Scientific Interest, meaning the actions of NRW, farmers and conservationists in and around these areas will be further restricted, even though controlling certain bird species such as crows and magpies is essential for protecting livestock and ground nesting birds."

Rachel Evans, Director for Wales for the Countryside Alliance, said: "Imposing these restrictions can only result in a negative impact on the way our countryside is managed. We all know full well how difficult it is to reverse a declining species population and damage caused to crops is irreversible.

"NRW could of course, change this before the official publication of the licences on October 7."

Colour-fast clothing

YOUNGSTERS at a primary school in the Vale of Glamorgan have raised more than £1,700 for a breast cancer awareness charity by taking part in a rainbow colour run.

Some 200 pupils from Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School had powder paint thrown over them as they raced around the sports field on September 18.

BBC Radio Wales Breakfast host Claire Summers started the race, which was sponsored by Llanerch Vineyard and supported by Barry-based Doctor Bob Balloons Unlimited. Pupils decided to embark on the colourful challenge to raise money for CoppaFeel! and support nursery teacher Kay Collingridge who, along with school parent Katie Dobson, is heading off on an adventure in aid of the charity. The pair are setting off on a trek in the Himalayas next month along with an array of famous faces including Loose Women's Nadia Sawalha and Great British Bake Off winner Candice Brown.

Paula Vaughan, the school's head teacher, explained: "We wanted to support Kay and Katie's fundraising efforts and feel it is important for children to understand the values of helping others. They enjoyed themselves and raised a lot of money for a great cause. I am very proud of them all."

Ms Collingridge lost her sister Helen in 2015 to breast cancer and Ms Dobson was diagnosed with cancer shortly after giving birth. To donate to the pair's fundraising efforts visit himalayas-coppafeel.everydayhero.com/uk/katie-kay-trek-the-Himalayas.

Images by Amber Nicholls Photography.

Cutting Edge's art show hailed a success

THE recent Cutting Edge Textile Group's exhibition 'She Sews Sea Shells' in Old Hall, Cowbridge was a great success, say organisers.

Visitors came from the local area and further even afield - with one guest from Australia, who happened to be in the area.

A exhibition spokesman said: "Visitors were extremely complimentary about the exhibition.

"We were also delighted that Vale of Glamorgan Mayor Christine Cave dropped in to admire our work.

"We are pleased to have been a part of the Vale of Glamorgan's inaugural Makers Festival, and look forward to being involved in future events."

•Vale of Glamorgan Mayor Christine Cave (right) with Cutting Edge member Corinne Roberts. **MD**

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Country and Farmers' Market next Friday and Saturday

THE fortnightly Country Market takes place on Friday, October 4 from 9.30am to 11.30am in the Lesser Hall, Cowbridge.

The fortnightly Vale of Glamorgan Farmers' Market takes place the following day, Saturday, October 5 in Arthur John's car park from 9am to 1pm.

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Orchard bears fruit

CYSWLLT Peterston Connect celebrated winning the award in the orchard which was planted in 2015.

The evening was officiated at by county councillor Michael Morgan, whose family gave the land to the National Trust. The evening was attended by villagers some of whom had donated the Welsh heritage trees.

Also in attendance were Tor Trundle from Creative Rural Natural Communities who provided funding, The Natural Resources Wales and Peterston Community Council members who gave their support to the project.

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'Holding on to hope' for World Mental Health Day

ISSUES of mental health and wellbeing are constantly in the news.

An innovative project in Llantwit Major is looking to get behind the headlines, and encourage people of all ages to take better care of their own mental wellbeing, while looking out for those around them who might be in distress.

The project is called 'Holding on to Hope' and its inspiration came from the music events that are held regularly at St Illtud's Church.

Bel Blue performs at the monthly 'Open Mic Night', and has recorded a CD of songs in the atmospheric Galilee Chapel. Many people living with personal anguish have said how much her songs have helped them on their journey.

Canon Edwin Counsell from St Illtud's Church said: "World Mental Health Day seemed like an ideal opportunity to launch Bel's recording of 'The St Illtud's Sessions'. Lots of others wanted to be involved, so we now have a photographic exhibition by Lucy Purrington, whose work is inspired by mental health issues. Local children will be attending workshops that create positive images of themselves and their community and there are sessions to help us all keep a healthy work-life balance. Samaritans and other agencies will be running 'drop-ins' to give help and support. We're very grateful to the Cardiff and Vale Health Board and their Arts Charity which, with Welsh Arts Council, have given funding and endless support and encouragement to the project."

People in every community live with the challenges of poor mental health and for some, those issues can lead to profound mental anguish that sometimes overwhelms them. There are also many people and organisations providing help and support, including health care agencies, local schools and within the church community.

Canon Counsell added: "I really hope the music, events and exhibitions will inspire people to look out for their friends or loved ones who might need help. I also hope that the project will bring mental health and wellbeing out of the shadows for all of us."

The event to mark World Mental Health Day takes place at St Illtud's Church, Llantwit Major from October 4-10.

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ValePlus members enjoy their summer at the bowls club

ValePlus members have been learning the finer points of the game at Llantwit Major Bowls Club

LLANTWIT Major Bowls Club has given time this summer to introduce the game to members of ValePlus.

ValePlus is a registered charity providing opportunities for people with learning and related disabilities who live in Cardiff and the Vale.

During the summer, the Llantwit Major ValePlus group have been coming to the bowling club to learn, play and enjoy the game. All have been made welcome and have enjoyed the chance to try their hand at something new.

It has been a joy to see how much pleasure everyone has had from this. Thanks go to the helpers at the centre in Llantwit: Angharad Pritchard, Trish Hatfield and especially Llantwit coach Mike Adams for giving his time.

The outdoor season is closing, but sessions will continue when the new season starts in April next year.

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Talk on life of Iolo Morganwg for history group

COWBRIDGE History Society is about to begin another of its seasons of talks on a range of historical topics.

The society meets on the first Friday of the month in the Lesser Hall at Cowbridge Town Hall.

The first talk will be given by local author Gareth Thomas on October 4 from 7.30pm.

His presentation, entitled 'Iolo Who?' will focus on the life and times of Cowbridge's internationally known figure Iolo Morganwg, a stonemason, shopkeeper, collector of manuscripts, 18th century radical and historian.

On Charter Day each year, March 13, the society organises an excursion to a place of historical interest.

In addition the society manages the local history study room in Old Hall which is open on Wednesday mornings, 10am to 12pm and is a great resource for the history of Cowbridge and the Vale.

The society has made tremendous progress on the digitisation of the centre's archive.

Search online at www.peoplescollection.wales/users/5375 for lots of information on the history of Cowbridge and district.

Anyone interested in getting involved in the project should call Betty on 01446 773373 or email bettyalden1@gmail.com

Visit www.cowbridgehistorysociety.org for more information about the club or pop along to the next meeting.

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CF61 'already a valued resource'

THE GVS CF61 Centre has already become a valued resource in the community: not only does the CF61 Centre serve the community with weekly events, but it is also a useful facility for organisations to meet, said a spokesperson.

Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS) has refurbished Llantwit Major Youth Centre at Station Road CF61 1ST as a community resource and the venue – now called 'CF61'– serves the local community.

CF61 is available to rent for a multitude of activities at a competitive rate.

The building is fully accessible, warm, clean and welcoming and is ideal for children's parties and activities, meetings and conferences, fitness and wellbeing classes – as well as many other community activities and functions.

All proceeds are re-invested in the centre to continually improve the facility.

If you would like to find out more, visit the CF61 website at www.CF61.wales or contact GVS.

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News from Nancy

PUPILS at Llangan School had a busy time last week electing their new head boy and head girl.

A number of year six pupils put their names forward as prospective candidates, and each one delivered a speech to the pupils at the school assembly.

After a very close vote, Noah was voted head boy and Rose was head girl; Evan and Maya to be deputies.

St Canna's Church, Llangan will hold its annual autumn fair on Saturday, October 5 from 10am to 12.30pm.

There will be produce, cakes and savouries, flowers, tombola, raffle and all the usual stalls, plus refreshments on sale. Donations for the stalls are still being gratefully received.

At Saron Chapel, Treoes, the next service will take place on Sunday, September 29 at 3pm, conducted by Sonia Castle.

Visit www.glamorgan-gem.co.uk daily.

GORCHYMYN CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG
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ATODLEN 2

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THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
(LLANBLETHIAN PUBLIC FOOTPATH No 50)
(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) (No2) ORDER 2019

On the 25th September 2019 the Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and with the consent of Welsh Ministers made a further Order as described in the schedules below:

The Order shall come into force on 12th October 2019 and will be known as "The Vale of Glamorgan Council Llanblethian Public Footpath No 50 (Temporary Closure) (No2) Order 2019.

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or any provisions contained therein on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the above Act or on the grounds that any requirement of the same or that any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may within six weeks from the 12th October 2019 apply to the High Court for this purpose

SCHEDULE 1

No person shall proceed on foot in the locations specified in Schedule 2 below.

SCHEDULE 2

Location	Footpath (Public Rights of Way) known as Llanblethian Number 50 closed from the point at grid ref 297992,174593 in an easterly direction to grid reference 298274,174752 for a distance of 330 metres
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Reason	To prevent danger to the Public as a result of construction works being carried out.
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Cowbridge Cricket Club remembers

COWBRIDGE Cricket Club has a proud history and is also keen to honour the past cricketers and members who have had a big influence on the club.

Recently, the club renamed the main gates the 'Fred Dunn' gates in honour of a significant figure in its history, and in this piece, Jeff Bird outlines the club's plans to remember one Alderman Lewis Jenkins:

History has a peculiar ability to drop from its 'dramatis personae' men and women who in their era were both important and well known.

Just think about the Spanish Amada. It was Lord Howard of Effingham who commanded the British fleet, not the pirate Drake. But who recalls the noble Lord now?

If you have a good look round the Cowbridge Athletic Ground you will find references to E H Ebsworth, who bought the land and built the ground – but nothing of the man who was the founding Chairman, who negotiated the purchase of the field, raised the money and saw the club safely through the War.

This opaque figure was Alderman W L Jenkins JP .

Why is it that his service is currently ignored and, indeed, it seems that has been the case since he died nearly a hundred years ago.?

Possibly it is the case that unlike Tip Williams, Colin Adams and Don Griffiths, as younger men they are recalled by the current generations.

The Alderman was cut of different century but if you needed a Chairman in turn of the century Cowbridge, then Alderman Jenkins was your man and it was he who steered the club through good times and faced major challenges that lesser men would have shrunk from.

Alderman Lewis Jenkins was the proprietor of The Vale of Glamorgan Brewery located where The Vale of Glamorgan Inn is now. Here he produced beer and soft drinks, his ginger beer being a special favourite .

As befitted a man of stature in the town he became a JP and was elected Chairman of the club at its inception in the spring of 1913, the club having been established to operate the ground while the Ebsworth family and the club sorted out a deal.

The opening of the Fred Dunn Gates, where Jeff Bird was joined by Vale MP Alun Cairns.

There were various sub-committees formed to run the sports, Mr Oakley was taken on as groundsman. Arthur Gibbs, who would not survive the war, was taken on as the groundsman's assistant.

A skittle platform was considered but nothing came of it. A set of rules were drawn up which are not unlike the current edition.

Then the Alderman and the Town Clerk were about to receive a challenge. Mr Ebsworth was anxious to sell the field as part of his removal to Scotland but with a lack of present funds the Alderman needed all his sagacity to achieve a result that would deliver the field into the ownership of the club but not at a price they could not afford.

The decision that was reached to send a delegation led by the Aldermman to visit Mr Ebsworth. It turned out to be a satisfactory meeting as Mr Ebsworth gave the club two yeas rent free occupation to allow it to raise funds.

The asking price was £700, a pittance when considered against the spend made by Mr Ebsworth on developing the ground.

In May 1914, each member of the committee donated £5 towards the fund. The future was looking bright. Then on September 8 at their weeting the 'Chairman reported that a very loyal and gratifying response had been made by male members of the club to the country's call to arms and that most of the 1st and 2nd XIs had, including Pell the professional, enlisted in the military forces and as a consequence he had arranged for the closure of the field'.

There was not much more to say at that juncture. The committee approved some payments and the chairman agreed to seek grazing.

In fact a theme of the minute book is of the committee leaving things in the hands of the Chairman and the Town Clerk such was the confidence they must have had in their leaders.

The committee did not meet until February 1915, when a letter offering to accept payment in installments for the field was received from Mr Ebsworth.

Messers Jenkins and Gwyn were deputed to visit the Castle once more. On their return on February 22, a meeting was held where, despite all the reasons not to go ahead, the committee played a bold hand and agreed to purchase the field for £700.

How this would be achieved was a matter of some debate but Mr Micawber was right, something would turn up.

On the 27th July, the Alderman and the Clerk reported to the committee that indeed something had turned up – someone rather, than something.

In fact it was the personage of Sir Sydney Byass who had bought the castle. Sir Sydney, a very keen cricketer offered the club £400 for three years interest free.

Once again the committee were content to leave the arrangements to the Alderman and the Clerk.

By 1923, Alderman Lewis Jenkins JP had been in the chair for a decade. In recent months he had received the almost unique accolade for a resident of being awarded the Freedom of Cowbridge.

In the minutes of a meeting, Lewis Jenkins proposed that the committee stand in honour of Mr W T Gwyn.

On April 26, the Mayor took the Chair and his first task was to call for a similar action in respect of their former Chairman. Lewis Jenkins had died with a record of achievement on behalf of the Athletic Club.

Even today, a century on, anyone who takes advantage of the facilities has unknowing cause to be grateful to Lewis Jenkins.

His picture will soon be hung in the Pavilion, it is the least his memory deserves.

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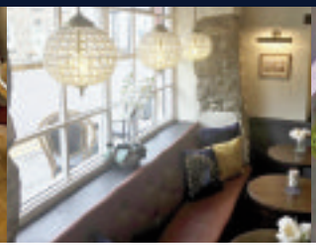
Christian has worked at the Customs House, Pier 64 amongst others around the country, recently returned to Wales after 2 years cooking in Asia and South America. He has brought many ideas back from his travels and this reflects our food style, especially the dinner and Tapas menu. Lots of fusion.
David is classically French trained and has recently joined us from The Pot bistro Cardiff. He's heading the daily lunch and weekend brunch.



Welsh Government's plans for 576 homes near Cosmeston Park

PLANS for 576 homes new homes near Cosmeston Country Park have been revealed.

The plans on the Welsh Government-owned land stretching from Lavernock Road to the coast include a new primary school, community facilities and public open space.

The Welsh Government is promising 40 per cent of the houses will be affordable, and there would be a major new pedestrian and cycle link from the coastal path to Cosmeston Lakes.

Up to two car parking spaces would be allocated to each home.

There would also be around two-and-a-half acres of public open space, including children's play areas and outdoor sports space, and an extension of the national cycle route network 88 through a disused railway line into Penarth Town Centre.

The public are being asked for their views on the plans ahead of a formal application is submitted to Vale Council.

A statement prepared for Welsh Government said the plans "will help to create a sustainable community promoting active travel".

"Walking and cycling will be promoted as a primary mode of transport for the residents of the new development, providing the necessary pedestrian and cycling infrastructure within the site to encourage residents to walk and cycle along a network of interconnecting public open spaces."

The plans would add to 540 new homes approved in Cog Road in Sully – which would mean more than 1,100 new homes are being planned within just a mile.

Concerns have previously been raised about the level of traffic the new homes would create.

Access to the new homes would be via two new junctions on Lavernock Road.

The estate would be split into four areas – named Llyr Calchfaen, Hedgerow Holm, Gardd Der Y Mor, Marconi's Heights.

Main streets would have segregated cycle paths and electric vehicle charging stations.

People will be able to view the plans in an exhibition on Tuesday, September 24, between the hours of 12pm to 7pm at the Lakeside Café at Cosmeston Lakes Country Park.

A consultation is also being held on Asbri Planning's website until October 14.

Matt Discombe
Local democracy reporter

Scouts earn highest possible award

Scout leaders George Sinfield and Akela with award-winners Kieran Hamer, Luke Beasley, Harvey Rowe, James Morgan, and Evan Henley.

A RECORD five Scouts of the 1st Miskin Mill Scout group in Pontyclun have achieved the Chief Scout's Gold Award, the highest award that the 10 to 14 year olds can earn.

To gain it, Scouts have to successfully complete nine Challenge Awards including skills, adventure, expedition, team leadership and personal challenges, plus six activity badges. The expedition alone required them to do 10 weeks of planning and preparation before completing the two day event in what turned out to be difficult weather conditions, the weekend of Storm Callum in Porthcawl.

The Scouts, Luke Beasley, Harvey Rowe, Kieran Hamer, Evan Henley and James Morgan received their awards from their Akela, Cheryl Baxter who said: "I'm really proud to be able to present the Chief Scout's Gold Award to these boys, who have worked tirelessly to complete all the challenges, it's a fantastic achievement."

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A New Zealander's fond memories of Cowbridge

JEFF Thomas may have lived in New Zealand for 66 years now, but he still has fond memories of Cowbridge.

It prompted him to pop into The GEM offices in Eastgate, bringing with him a pristine copy of a school photograph taken in 1947, when he was a young pupil in Cowbridge Grammar School.

Taken in front of the Old Hall, Jeff is seated in the front row (wearing white shoes) just in front of the head teacher Mr Idwal Rees.

Jeff told The GEM: "I was born in the Rhondda but moved to Llancarfan and attended Llancarfan Primary School. From there, I went on to Cowbridge Grammar.

"In 1953 I was 19, and I took up the offer of a paid passage and the promise of a job and went to New Zealand."

Jeff started work for the Government, working for the Public Trust Office. There is no exact equivalent in the UK Government system, but Jeff and his colleagues handled matters such as wills and probate, among others.

Once he was settled, his family joined him, but his connections with Wales were not completely severed. In 1969, he was seconded to work in London, still for the NZ Government, and it was on a visit back to Cardiff that he met his wife, Pam.

Jeff said: "All those years I lived in New Zealand but I married a Welsh girl."

That wedding took place in Cardiff and when Jeff's secondment came to an end, they moved to New Zealand.

They settled in Masterton, a town near Wellington, but still visit relatives in Wales whenever possible.

Jeff is also a member of the Llancarfan Society, and knew all about the long-running argument over the future of Llancarfan School and other local issues.

However, New Zealanders in Wales are contractually obliged to discuss rugby, and Jeff is no exception.

He was speaking a few days before the All Blacks' impressive first outing against South Africa, and said: "I do cheer for Wales in every match they play – with one exception.

"I've followed the All Blacks for 66 years, and they are my team. I would love to see a Rugby World Cup Final between Wales and New Zealand, but I will be cheering for the All Blacks."

ABOVE:
Jeff Thomas in The GEM offices with his 1947 school photo.
In the 1947 photograph (top picture) Jeff is seated, second left, in what appear to be white shoes, with Mr Idwal Rees behind and to Jeff's right.

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Mayor of Cowbridge looks back on a busy Summer

AUGUST has been a quiet month, with the Vale Show at Fonmon Castle the highlight, with a very good range of entertainment provided and many trade stands.

The weather was kind and as a result there was good attendance. Sadly, it was the last show at that venue as ownership has changed, but as I understand it, there will be a show next year in roughly the same area.

The Town Council had supported a grant application for the restoration of the Llantrisant Guildhall and as a result, I received an invitation to the opening of the magnificently restored building, which is well worth a visit.

The fire station drew a large attendance to watch various demonstrations, including the removal of the roof of a crashed car and the rescue of people from a tall building.

We are fortunate to have a fire and ambulance station based in the town, and appreciate the work carried out by the dedicated staff.

There will be a Mayor's coffee morning on October 5 in the Main Hall and all are welcome.

There will be a showing of Dumbo for the children, starting at 11am. The cells will also be open and these provide a fascinating insight into Cowbridge's history.

Please take the opportunity to come along and raise any concerns you may have with the councillors.

Cllr Alec Trousdale

Quiz 'n' Chips night for Tenovus

COWBRIDGE Friends of Tenovus Cancer Care is holding quiz and chips night on Tuesday, October 15 at the Duke of Wellington in Cowbridge.

Get together in teams of four or more to enter the quiz. There will be a raffle and prizes.

Tickets are available from the Tenovus shop in Cowbridge.

Police seek information on Porthkerry assault

POLICE in Barry are appealing for witnesses following an assault in Porthkerry Park.

A man reported that he was assaulted while he was walking in the park on Saturday, September 7, at around 7pm. The assault is reported to have taken place as the man was walking across the field towards the steps which lead to Salisbury Road. The man in his 50s received treatment in hospital for his injuries. Officers are appealing for anyone who was in the park at the time to come forward with any information. Anyone who has information which could assist the investigation can call 101 quoting reference 1900342199, or contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Meetings in the Vale

Coffee with councillors

THE September community councillors' free coffee morning is on Saturday, September 28.

The venue is the Murch Community Centre 11.00 to 12.30 pm, Sunnycroft Lane, Dinas Powys. Alternatively contact Plaid councillors on *familyfranks@btinternet.com* 07725 497423 or Richard Grigg 07974 033304.

Barry Friends of the Earth

THE next meeting of Barry & Vale Friends of the Earth will be on Tuesday, October 1 at 7.30pm in the Castle Hotel, Jewel Street, Barry.

The group will discuss the proposed development at Model Farm, near Rhoose.

GORCHYMYN CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG (LLWYBR CYHOEDDUS PORTHCERI Rhif 2) RHWS (CAU DROS DRO) 2019

Ar 26 Medi 2019, gwnaeth Cyngor Bro Morgannwg wrth arfer ei bwerau dan Adran 14 Deddf Rheoleiddio Traffig Ffyrdd 1984 Orchymyn a fydd yn gorfodi'r hyn a ddisgrifir yn yr atodlenni isod:

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ATODLEN 1

Ni chaiff unrhyw un gerdded ar y lleoliadau a nodir yn Atodlen 2 isod.

ATODLEN 2

Lleoliad	Llwybr troed (hawliau tramwy cyhoeddus) a elwir Porthkerry Rhif 2 ar gau am bellter o 50 metr i ' r Gogledd ac i ' r de o ' r rheilffordd
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Rheswm	I atal perygl i gerddwyr tra bod gwaith atgyweirio ' r rheilffordd yn cael ei wneud.
Hyd	O 8.00 pm ddydd Llun 7 Hydref 2019 tan 07.00 am ddydd Sul 1 Rhagfyr

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Dyddiedig 26 Medi 2019

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THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL (PORTHKERRY PUBLIC FOOTPATH No 2) RHOOSE (TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2019

On the 26th September 2019 the Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, with the consent of Welsh Ministers made a further Order as described in the schedules below:

The Order shall come into force on 7th October 2019 and will be known as "The Vale of Glamorgan Council (Porthkerry Public Footpath No 2) Rhoose (Temporary Closure) Order 2019.

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or any provisions contained therein

on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the above Act or on the grounds that any requirement of the same or that any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may within six weeks from the 7th October 2019 apply to the High Court for this purpose

SCHEDULE 1

1. No person shall proceed on foot in the locations specified in Schedule 2 below.

SCHEDULE 2

Location	Footpath (Public Rights of Way) known as Porthkerry Number 2 closed for a distance of 50 metres both north and south of the railway line
Alt. Route	Local Signed diversions shall be in place.
Reason	To prevent danger to pedestrians while railway repair work is carried out.
Duration	From 8.00pm on Monday 7th October 2019 until 07.00am on Sunday 1st December 2019

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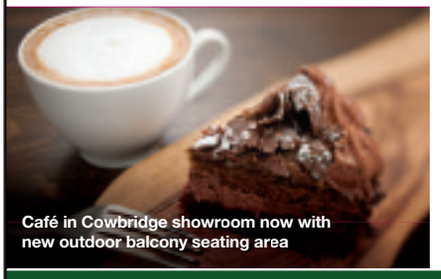
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New internship for job seekers with learning disabilities

ON September 20, Dow held an event in Barry to launch an internship programme which will offer career development opportunities for candidates with learning disabilities in the area.

Developed in conjunction with Cardiff & Vale College and Project SEARCH, an organisation specialising in assisted employment training and education programmes for individuals with disabilities, the internship programme will offer placements to 11 candidates, taking place from September 23 until July 2, 2020. The placements will be at Dow's Barry site. Interns will rotate across a range of functions such as laboratories, manufacturing, quality, stores, administration, IT, logistics and Environmental Health and Safety. Under the guidance of Project SEARCH, Dow has constructed a newly designed training room and formed a dedicated team to support the interns as they navigate both their theoretical/classroom training, and practical work experience.

The team includes a network of 26 mentors and leaders from Dow Silicones, as well as an on-site instructor and job coach from Cardiff & Vale College.

John Case, country manager for UK and Ireland Dow, said: "The Project SEARCH internship programme aligns perfectly with Dow's ambition to change the world for the better, as well as our commitment to building a diverse workforce with unique perspectives and backgrounds. We look forward to celebrating the launch of Project SEARCH and welcoming our interns in the coming week."

Lily Beyer, programme specialist at Project SEARCH, said: "Our goal at Project SEARCH is to secure competitive employment for people with disabilities. We rely on the partnership of companies like Dow to provide immersive and integrated experiences that will help candidates prepare for a successful future in the workplace."

The launch event was held at the Barry site, with around 80 attendees including representatives from the Welsh Government; Cardiff & Vale College; Cardiff University; local employers; as well as Project SEARCH interns, their families and Dow UK and Ireland employees.

Why not become a Barry Dementia Friend?

FAMILY-RUN Park Independent Funeral Directors in Barry are the first funeral directors to be awarded 'Dementia Friendly' status in the town by Dementia Friendly Barry and the Alzheimer's Society.

Staff attended a dementia awareness session, looking at the fear and stigma around dementia and how people living with dementia can be supported.

Staff have already supported the Alzheimer's Society by fundraising and recently became Dementia Friends.

As part of the Dementia Friendly Barry initiative working in partnership with Barry Town Council and the Alzheimer's Society in creating a Dementia Friendly Community, 15 dementia awareness sessions have been run with 143 Dementia Friends in various groups, schools and businesses.

For more information about the scheme contact dementiafriendlybarry@outlook.com or visit www.dementiafriendly-vale.co.uk. **JW**

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Safety checks for Barry memorial headstones

BARRY Town Council, in accordance with health and safety law, is undertaking an inspection programme to check the condition of memorial headstones within its cemeteries.

Any found to be unsafe and likely to cause serious injury may be laid flat or 'lowered down' into the excavated area at the head of the grave in front of the memorial base (this will enable some or all of the inscription to remain visible). Alternatively, the memorial may be 'staked and banded' by the Council Memorial Inspector, to stop them falling.

As this is part of a programme introduced by government legislation, it is an offence for the bands to be removed by any one other than the memorial inspector or a memorial mason engaged to carry out repairs to the memorial on behalf of the family. A memorial is the responsibility of the grave owner. Any memorials erected since November 2001 should not be affected as long as they were installed to the NAMM and BRAMM standards. The programme has been devised to ensure that the memorials that pose the greatest risk are dealt with first.

Anyone with concerns about the testing or would like information about how to make memorials safe should contact the Cemetery Office on 01446 704920, by emailing info@barrytowncouncil or write to Barry Town Council, 7 Gladstone Road, Vale of Glamorgan, CF62 8NA.

Below is a list of memorials that have been inspected in the most recent round of inspections at Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery.

Relatives or anyone who knows someone related to those interred in any of the following graves should also get in touch: RC140; AA293; I 87; I 88; I 204; H 435; H 436.

Enforcement action repeated at Barry Waterfront

DEVELOPERS at Barry Waterfront are being investigated again, just months after the council told them to stop building homes.

Taylor Wimpey, Persimmon and Barratt Homes were issued warnings by the Vale Council in August, after it received complaints that construction was taking place at Barry Waterfront outside the permitted hours.

The breach of condition notices, which told the developers to stop works outside the hours agreed in their planning application, have been followed up by regular visits by council officers to ensure the developers follow the rules.

It comes after a new plan to deliver the waterfront's complex of bars and restaurants, known as the district centre, alongside the new housing was agreed in June.

The council twice temporarily ordered Persimmon not to build or sell any more homes at the waterfront, until significant progress had been made on the district centre.Council officers have visited Barry Waterfront to ensure the new delivery plan is being followed, and the authority says this has not resulted in any further action to date.

A Vale Council spokesman said: "The council is carefully monitoring progress at the Barry Waterfront development to ensure it is being built in accordance with all conditions. This includes delivery of the district centre and other facilities alongside the planned housing."

A spokeswoman for the Barry Waterfront consortium said: "We have not been issued an enforcement notice by the Vale Council and are working with the council to ensure that all conditions of the planning consent for the development are complied with."

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Veterans aged over 60 urged to ask about military pensions

UK Armed Forces veterans aged 60 or over who were serving at any time from 1975, are being urged to ask about their eligibility for a military pension as part of a new campaign by Age Cymru that will refer individuals to the MOD's Veterans Welfare Service.

Research undertaken by Age Cymru's Project 360 team suggests that there are many veterans in Wales who are not claiming an Armed Forces pension to which they are entitled.

The campaign will also urge those veterans who believe they may have an injury or illness which was caused or made worse by the result of Service, and arose before April 5, 2005 to see if they are eligible for financial support through a War Pension.

The charity believes there are several reasons why veterans don't claim their rightful pension or support; some are put off by the prospect of undertaking large amounts of paperwork, while others aren't aware they need to apply for the pension rather than be automatically awarded it. But for many veterans, it is simply a case of not knowing where to turn to for help and support.

Age Cymru's Project 360 manager, Heather Ferguson said: "Pensions are going unclaimed by veterans each year – money that rightfully belongs to those who have served their country and which could help transform their lives. I would urge any veteran aged 60 or over and who were serving any time from 1975 to call the Veteran Welfare Service to find out if they are eligible.

"We know through our work with veterans that many of them are proud people who may not like making claims. But eligible veterans have already paid into a pension scheme, so it is therefore rightfully theirs to claim."

For more information about the Armed Forces Pension Scheme call 0800 0853600, and for War Disability Pensions call 0808 1914218. For further information and for downloading claim forms, visit: www.gov.uk.

Michael Phillips

Ramblers wend their way around Wenvoe

SHEILA from Penarth and District Ramblers played host to five walkers on a beautiful morning when they met at St Mary's Church in Wenvoe village.

They their way up through Pound Lane and into the pretty Wenvoe Wood, exiting onto Burdonshill Lane.

The rutted farm track was holding water in places and passing fields of maize, they entered Wenvoe Castle golf course, remaining on the edge of the busy green to descend into woodland before arriving beside Goldsland Wood.

The ramblers continued through fields to Maes-y-Felin, the St Lythans Burial Chamber, which has been in existence for 6,000 years.

Ripe blackberries in the hedgerows were scoffed as they made their way past Dyffryn House car park and fields containing horses, a llama and black sheep, before a deviation to the impressive Tinkinswood Burial Chamber with its large capstone.

Part of Valeways Millennium Trail brought them through meadows, where a group of teenagers taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme had been camping, then by road through St Nicholas village.

The edge of harvested fields led them into Coed Nant-Bran and through brambly paths to St Lythans, where the churchyard of St Bleddian's provided a stop for lunch.

Through Wenvoe Wood, a tree-line bridle path brought them back into Wenvoe.

A group of 18 walkers and Bruno the dog joined Nick at Trellech, setting off in overcast weather to a field containing the three Bronze Age Harold's Stones the village is named after.

By farm track and field, they entered Woolpitch Wood following narrow paths and crossing footbridges over Penarth Brook.

Carefully navigating a steep, stony sunken lane downhill to pass the lovely old Penarth Mill that had been powered by water from the brook, a long track dappled in sunlight brought then to a road with stunning views to the Black Mountains.

Following the road in warm sunshine, they returned into fields for the journey to Cwmcarvan.

After lunch in the churchyard of St Cattwg's Church, some road walking brought them back into woodland, across the busy B4293 and along shaded forestry tracks at Trellech Common.

Greenway Lane led them back into Trellech village for a visit to the tall spired St Nicholas Church with its impressive stained glass windows, two rows of 13th century stone pillars and a 17th century sundial which commemorates St Anne's Well, Harold's Stones and the Tump Turret.

The huge 40 foot mound of earth dates to Norman times when a motte and bailey castle built by the de Clare family stood on its summit and leaving the grounds of Court Farm, they returned to their start for the journey home.

On September 28, a 12-mile hard walk at Cwm Clydach, Swansea, will leave Cogan Leisure Centre at 8.30am; contact Rachel on 01446 410545.

On September 29, a nine-mile moderate walk taking in Cefn Bryn and the south coast at Gower will leave Cogan at 9am; contact Robin on 029 2051 4051.

For up to date information, visit www.penarthramblers.wordpress.com or follow on Facebook.

Programmes and membership advice can be obtained from Pam on 029 2025 5102.

Joy Strangward

The happiest places in Wales

RESEARCH has revealed that the Vale of Glamorgan and Bridgend are two of the happiest places to live in Wales.

Forest Holidays announced its top 10 happy places in the country with Monmouthshire taking first place, the Vale claiming second and Bridgend securing sixth place.

Researchers who put together the annual Happiness Report look at a range of factors including access to green spaces and crime levels.

The top 10 happiest places in Wales are as follows:

1. Monmouthshire
2. Vale of Glamorgan
3. Ceredigion
4. Carmarthenshire
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6. Bridgend
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8. Cardiff
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Extinction Rebellion, Iolo Morganwg and... Elvis?

SUSTAINABLE Wales' cultural showcase in the Green Room above SUSSED, 5, James Street, Porthcawl, returns on Saturday, September 28, at 8pm, featuring writing and film about Elvis Presley and the Extinction Rebellion mass movement.

Organiser, Robert Minhinnick said: 'This will be a lively occasion with lots of new writing and film.

"The evening will include poetry that links the visionary writer, William Blake, with Cowbridge's own troubled mystic, Iolo Morganwg.

"And yes, Elvis Presley will somehow be fitted into the mix.

"A unique night is in store."

"Everyone welcome, Croeso Cynnes i bawb." Entry to the event is £4.

The event does, of course, coincide with Porthcawl's Elvis Festival weekend.

Thousands of visitors are expected to flock to the town to bask in a weekend of nostalgia and catch as many ETAs as possible

GEM NOTE: That's 'Elvis Tribute Artists'. Whatever you do, don't call them impersonators!

What's on, in and around the Vale this weekend

Bingo evening

THE Management Committee of Rhoose Community Hall is holding its next Bingo afternoon on Saturday, September 28 at the Hall in Stewart Road.

Doors open at 1.45pm for a prompt start at 2.30pm. Light refreshments and a raffle during the interval.

Councillors' surgery

THE Labour Vale and town councillors for Gibbonsdown and Colcot Wards will hold an advice surgery on Saturday, September 28 between 10am and 11am at the Coastlands church hall, Tennyson Road, Barry, CF62 9TN.

No appointment is necessary.

Councillors' surgery

CONSERVATIVE councillors Janice Charles, Marguerita Wright, Leighton Rowlands, Vincent Bailey and Rachel Nugent-Finn will hold an advice surgery on Saturday, September 28, at McDonald's, Barry, 10am– 11am.

No appointment is necessary.

Rhoose Cinema

RHOOSE Community Cinema on Saturday, September 28, is showing *Fisherman's Friends* (12a).

Come and help celebrate the group's third birthday with a complimentary glass of fizz.

Doors open 6.45pm, showtime 7.15pm. Tickets available on the door r via *www.ticketsource.co.uk/rhoose-community-cinema/t-ykkdgz*.

Litter pick

FRIENDS of Barry Beaches will be celebrating the group's ninth anniversary this month with a litter pick at Porthkerry Country Park on Sunday, September 29.

The litter pick will commence at 3pm and volunteers should meet next to the Forest Lodge.

Please wear suitable footwear; litter pickers and bags will be provided. Children are welcome, accompanied by a responsible adult.

Out & About with The GEM

Get Dresd for a scare this Hallowe'en...

DRESD Studios in St Athan are holding an immersive Hallowe'en event – 'It's in the Hanger – Fright Night 2019' between October 26 and October 31.

In the first Hallowe'en experience to come to St Athan, dare to take the Death Walk through Claustrophobia, Mirror Maze, Web Walk, Mannequin Room and more. A bar and food will be available during the event.

The studios have been home to *Dr Who, Torchwood* and numerous other productions and are the only prop reclamation company globally collecting and storing a wide range of reclaimed film and TV materials. The salvaged props are then hired back to the industry at a much lower cost than purchasing new set items.

For further information, contact lynn@dresd.co.uk or Lynn on 07810 567067.

Round-up of news from St Baruc's School

THIS year for the first time, Ysgol Sant Baruc's year 6 pupils visited Glanllyn in north Wales.

The week – jam packed with activities all through the medium of Welsh – was spent with youngsters from Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg.

A school spokesman said: "Every child behaved impeccably and they enjoyed river walking, high ropes, canoeing, climbing, a disco, bowling and a film night.

"They also learned fire-craft and how to build a den and a raft. We would like to thank all of the staff who gave their time during the week."

Artist Rhiannon pays a visit

Pupils in year 2 worked with the artist Rhiannon during the second week of term to create a mural which included our present school building as the focal point.

The colourful mural also includes many familiar landmarks and is now hanging in the school hall for all to see.

Community Project

Pupils from years 5 and 6 have begun visiting Springbank nursing home.

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Your guide to what's on

Cowbridge Gardening Club

MEETINGS of the Cowbridge Gardening Club will resume on Thursday, September 26 at 7pm in the Lesser Hall.

The speaker will be Anthony Walton on 'Attracting Birds to the garden'. New members are welcome.

Cowbridge U3A

INTERESTED in joining Cowbridge U3A?

Come and meet committee members for a friendly chat over coffee from 11am on Monday, September 30, in the Bear Hotel, Cowbridge.

Rhoose History Society

THE next meeting will feature a talk by Aldon Grisdale, whose topic will be: Myths and Legends of Porthkerry.

Come along on Friday, September 27 at 7.30pm to the small hall of Rhoose Community Centre, Stewart Road, Rhoose CF62 3EZ; entrance £1.

Macmillan coffee morning

THE Watermill in Ogmore will hold a Macmillan coffee morning on Friday, September 27 at 11am to 4pm.

There will be stalls, crafts, a raffle plus freshly-brewed coffee/tea and cake.

Llantwit Major Town Twinning

ON Friday, September 27 the Llantwit Major (twinned with Le Pouliguen in southern Brittany) Twinning Association will host a wine, cheese and quiz night at Llantonian Hall from 7pm.

Teams of up to 10 are encouraged to come along and take part. Tickets are £6 per person to include a generous plate of cheese and a glass of wine or two; the event will also have a bar.

Tickets are available via the association secretary, John Deakin and the association's Facebook page. All are welcome and more information about the twinning association of Llantwit Major and Le Pouliguen will be available on the evening.

KPC coffee morning

KPC Youth & Community (next to Pil Primary School, Pyle) are holding their annual coffee morning from 9am-10.30am on Friday, September 27 in aid of Macmillan Cancer Relief.

We will be joined at 9.30am by the choir from Pil Primary School, followed by a 'fun bingo' session and raffle. Admission £1 and cakes will be on sale. Help us make this event a great success for Macmillan.

Call Alison on 01656 749219/745399 info@kpcyouth.com for more information.

Harvest Festival services in the Vale and Bridgend

ST Illtyd's Church in Newcastle, Bridgend, has its Harvest Festival on Sunday, October 5 at 10.30am.

It is also holding a Harvest Supper on Tuesday, October 8, at 7pm in Westward Community Centre. Please contact Father David Lloyd on 01656 655999 for more information and to buy tickets.

THE annual Harvest Festival service will be held at St Tyfodwg's Church, Glynogwr on Sunday, October 6, 2019 at 7pm.

A spokesperson said: "Glynogwr is a small rural village with a number of outlying farms and it is a time of year when all the crops have been harvested and it reminds us of the good things that we want to share with others who are not so fortunate."

THE little former Church of St Lawrence at Fort Road, Lavernock will be bursting with flowers, fruit, vegetables and other produce on Sunday, September 29 at 3pm, when the Harvest Festival is celebrated.

Rev Mark Jones from the Parish of Penarth and Llandough will preach, and there will be seasonal poems, scripture readings and popular harvest hymns accompanied on the French harmonium by Anne Thomas. Donations to the produce are welcome, at the end of the service and tea and coffee will be served.

There is a free car park on the left of Fort Road just before the church for visitors who will all receive a warm welcome.

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The collection will be in aid of Vale Foodbank, followed by afternoon tea.

On Sunday, October 6 the family/children's Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be taken by Rev Dafydd Andrew Jones at 11am; donations of dried/tinned goods for the Vale Foodbank will be much appreciated.

NFU Cymru and Glamorgan YFC will host a Harvest Festival on Thursday, October 3 at Margam Abbey, Margam, Port Talbot, SA13 2TA.

This year's service will start at 7.30pm and will be followed by light refreshments.

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Police HQ scheme backed by council

PLANS for a new training and operations centre at the South Wales Police headquarters in Bridgend have received the full backing of the local authority.

Full council met on September 18 and approved plans for the development subject to conditions.

The four-storey police learning centre, a human resources building and a two-storey gym in Cowbridge Road will see an additional 650 people on site every day.

The centre includes provision for an assessments and standards unit, an operations training unit, investigative training, and 'policing through technology' facilities.

It will also accommodate an office for the police and crime commissioner, while a separate building will house a gym. It is expected that the centre will become fully operational in 2021.

Officers at the authority said the investment in the site was welcomed as the applicant had made a firm commitment to retain its operations within the county.

New access arrangements for the centre are included in the proposals with plans for an improved rear access which forms a junction with Chepstow Road and the Kingsway roundabout. Officers said all students, HR officers and visitors using the new facilities would be directed to the rear access. Officers have now been given delegated powers to issue consent for the plans subject to legal agreements being met.

Liz Bradfield, LDR

Extensive development of Whitmore High School begins

CONSTRUCTION of a new school at Whitmore High in Barry is about to begin as part of a £30.5 million investment by Vale of Glamorgan Council.

Under the authority's 21st Century Schools programme, a partnership with Welsh Government which involves comprehensive upgrading of educational infrastructure across the county, the current school site will undergo a dramatic transformation. Accommodating 1,100 pupils, the work carried out by Morgan Sindall Construction will create an ultra-modern learning environment with state-of-the-art facilities.

Teaching space will be spread across three-storeys, with 70 general classrooms and two drama and activity studios encompassed within the 11,000-metre square site and a specialist suite to support students with additional learning needs. There will also be a music studio, fitted with the latest equipment, a multifunctional hall with retractable seating and a large dining area.

Staff and pupils will transfer to the new building for September 2021 to allow demolition of the existing buildings and creation of new sport facilities, with the project due for completion by spring 2022.

Elsewhere in Barry, a completely new school will also be built at Pencoedtre High; Welsh language secondary education will also benefit with Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg set to undergo extensive improvement and expansion works. This follows other recent work to build Llantwit Learning Community and the Penarth Learning Community.

Bellerophon riding Pegasus.

Of Andromeda and Pegasus: the October sky

THE Milky Way rises from the north-eastern horizon, arcs almost overhead and falls towards the south-western horizon.

The bright summer constellations can still be seen, but they are now edging ever closer towards the west.

Halfway from overhead towards the southern horizon we find Pegasus: the flying horse. Personally, I have never been able to make out the horse, flying or not.

What you will see is four naked-eye stars that make up a square. Three corners have fainter lines of stars.

The two right-hand corners of the square show this feature quite well.

Look inside the square, count how many stars you can see with your naked eye, then repeat the exercise using a pair of binoculars.

Now look first at the bottom right hand star, then the top right-hand star. Can you see the different colours?

Try again using your binoculars: one is white the other orange.

Look now at the top-left hand corner star, now you should see another prominent line of stars, this is an entirely different constellation, Andromeda.

Here we have an example where a star has been transferred from one constellation to another.

The top left-hand corner star of Pegasus is also the brightest star in the constellation of Andromeda, but never mind, place the star in your binoculars, and slowly move them along the line, counting two more stars, now stop, from here move the binoculars very slowly towards overhead.

Can you now see a 'blur' or fuzzy object?

You may have to do the movements a few times but it's worth persevering as the 'blur' is the Andromeda Galaxy.

If you are lucky to observe from a dark sky location, the 'blur' will be visible with the naked eye.

Over two million light years away, this spiral galaxy is one of our closest neighbours, and it is heading in our direction.

We believe that in the far distant future Andromeda and the Milky way will collide. But that's another story.

Before midnight, you can still find the bright planets Jupiter and Saturn.

The Moon will be below Saturn on the fifth of the month.

Do check out www.barryastronomical.wordpress.com for details when we meet and observe the sky.

I will do my best to show you around on a clear night.

Dave Powell, Barry Astronomical Society.

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The Estyn Inspection of 2019 graded all aspects of our school as 'Excellent' and made no recommendations for improvement. Congratulations to all in achieving this stunning success.

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Soroptimist Pam raises funds for Breast Cancer Now

SOROPTIMIST Pam Allinson, a keen supporter of Breast Cancer Now which aims to raise funds to aid research, was delighted to raise £100 for the charity through her board game at the Springbank fete.

Ms Allinson was instrumental in setting up the Cardiff and Vale group to raise funds for what was then Breakthrough Breast Cancer, which has since become Breast Cancer Now and Breast Cancer Care. Ms Allison was a former Wales South regional president and assistant programme director for education before she suffered a severe stroke in 2016. With the help of friends and club members, she has been developing her artistic skills using her left hand. Recently one of her paintings featured on the SIGBI Facebook site and received plaudits from as far afield as Papua New Guinea and Australia.

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Council hands over bowls club facilities

THE Vale of Glamorgan Council is preparing to hand control of bowls facilities over to the clubs that use them.

Following a similar initiative in which libraries in the County are run by community groups, from October 1 eight bowls clubs will be responsible for maintaining their greens and pavilions, so that the council can make significant savings.

For the past 12 months, clubs have been preparing for the changes with support from the council. This has included seeking sponsors and organising events to generating funds, appointing maintenance companies and hiring out facilities for private use. Clubs have been provided with a five-year indemnity by the council, protecting them from the cost of significant works during that period while club reserves are built up.

Cllr Kathryn McCaffer, Vale Council Cabinet Member for Leisure, Arts and Culture, said: "Making the facilities the responsibility of individual clubs not only gives those clubs more control over how they are run, but by reducing the level of subsidy, it saves the council money at a time of significant financial pressures. This represents a major change to the way in which bowls clubs are managed, but it's impressive the way these teams have risen to that challenge.

"As we continue efforts to streamline council spending, we will explore similar arrangements for other sports teams across the county."

Local pub will stay open

SA BRAIN has announced that the Master Mariner in Gibbonsdown will stay open.

Following a review of performance, Brains have decided to take the Master Mariner back into their managed house portfolio and intend to make a significant investment in the site to bring it up to the best possible standards.

They will also ensure that the Master Mariner retains its place in the heart of the local community.

Subject to obtaining the necessary permissions and planning approval, they intend beginning work on the site in October and hope to complete before Christmas.

While there will inevitably be some disruption as the scheme progresses, they intend to remain open throughout the projected works.

Jane Hutt AM welcomed the news, and said: "I know that that the community in Gibbonsdown will welcome this news and I look forward to seeing the pub grow and prosper over the coming years.

"It is thanks to the community campaign led by local people that the Master Mariner is staying open."

MP Alun Cairns said: "I'm really pleased to have been informed that SA Brain will be keeping the Master Mariner open, taking direct control of the pub with a salaried manager.

"I want to pay tribute to the community in Gibbonsdown, who campaigned passionately to save the Master Mariner.

"Only a couple of weeks ago, I held one of my public meetings on Brexit at the pub, and it was clear to see the huge support the pub receives locally.

"It holds a special place within the community and I wish them every success going forward."

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The school's highly successful sixth form, introduced in 2013, was recognised by the inspection team with pupils' performance at A Level over the last three years highlighted as "outstanding". Continuing to be placed amongst the best independent schools in the UK at A level, Cathedral School students secure places at the most competitive universities, including Oxford, Manchester, Bristol, Warwick Cardiff and Nottingham.

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A comprehensive weekly PHME programme includes sessions on financial management, drug awareness, spirituality, relationships, current affairs and much more to help prepare students for the next step after A levels.

Beyond their studies, interests and abilities are broadened through initiatives including outward bound expeditions, the Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award, debating and public speaking and the Extended Project Qualification. Outstanding choral and instrumental performances abound at school and venues including Llandaff Cathedral, the Wales Millennium Centre and the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama.

The school offers a range of courses and extra-curricular activities.

Earlier this year, our sixth formers organised a STEM Night (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) featuring world-leading scientist, Professor Robert Winston. Attended by more than 200 people from local schools and the community, the event demonstrated our pupils' initiative and leadership, as well as their "extremely positive attitudes to learning" that Estyn highlighted in their report.

Sixth formers are encouraged to engage in the professional mentoring programme, which pairs them with leading professional figures for advice and guidance. Practitioners from a range of professions are regularly invited to address the students and they also have the opportunity to network at Cardiff Business Club.

Fundraising events are organised throughout the year by our Interact Club, linked with the Rotary Club, providing an opportunity to support local initiatives, as well as helping the sixth form to develop their organisational and leadership skills.

Financial support is available at Year 12 entry, with academic, music and sport scholarships available, as well as means tested bursaries.

Please visit us on our Whole School Open Morning on Saturday, October 5, 9.30am-12.30pm, or at our Sixth Form Options Evening on Thursday, October 10, 5pm-7pm, to see what makes the Cathedral School such a dynamic place of learning. To book a place, visit www.cathedral-school.co.uk/opendays

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Experienced players and novices are welcome and may either bring their own boards or use those at the club. The cost is £3 which includes tea/coffee and biscuits.

For more information, please call 02920 515568 or 02920 513619.

Llantwit Major archaeology

A WEEKLY archaeology class is held every Thursday at the Llantwit Major Town Hall at 10.30am, and covers a huge range of topics.

Over the next few weeks, we visit Pompeii, and the Mediaeval city of Trelleck. We have a very enthusiastic group of all ages, different backgrounds, from 'interested in archaeology' to very knowledgeable. Call 07437 747402, or email: archaeology-cymru@live.co.uk if interested in attending.

Valeways walks

ON Tuesday, October 1 at 11am, Barry Heart Walk (five miles), starting at the Gorsedd Stones, Romilly Park, Barry.

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On Thursday, October 3 at 10.30 am, the Living with Cancer Strollers meet outside visitor centre, Cosmeston Country Park.

Also on October 3 at 2.30pm, the Penarth Coffee Shop Strollers meet at the cliff top car park, Penarth.

Harvest Thanksgiving

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Fun on the farm, all summer long!

Amelia Trust Farm events were lots of fun for everyone this year.

SUMMER fun at Amelia Trust Farm was a big success this year, despite the roadworks on Five Mile Lane.

Director Karen Turnbull said: "The roadworks on the Lane have had an impact on our fundraising when there have been closures, but thankfully visitors were able to reach us throughout the school holidays."

The charity welcomed over 12,000 visitors to their Care Farm during July and August. Its family fundraising events were popular, with even more new faces on the farm during the holidays. The charity's new superhero day was a hit with youngsters, its 'be a farmer for a day' sessions were a sell out and the educational superhero trail was popular with both the children and the adults. There was a good turnout for the dog show and large numbers of grandparents and children visited to celebrate Grandparents' Day as the farm has a long history with generations of families enjoying the countryside sanctuary.

Becca Palmer, marketing manager, said: "We would like to say thank you to everyone who supported the farm this summer, your contributions are vital in helping us continue our work with vulnerable young people in south Wales, and in keeping the farm open to the public. We are now planning October half term fun, so keep your eyes open for more information on our website and on social media."

Buttrills Estate renovation reaches second stage

THE £2.3 million renovation of the Buttrills Estate has now reached the second stage.

In 2017, the previous Conservative administration in the Vale Council approved the £2.3 million renovation to the estate, an investment designed to improve a number of properties throughout the Buttrills estate, including a full refurbishment of Awbrey House, which was completed in early 2019.

Cllr Leighton Rowlands said: "I'm delighted that the second stage will be commencing this month and will include the renovation of the Bungalow Gardens, the community area surrounding Awbery House such as the paths, drying area and the renovation of North Walk fencing and seating.

"We have written to all residents to advise of them of this and to inform them that an open day has been arranged at Awbery House, which give residents an opportunity to seek information on the second stage of the project."

MP Alun Cairns said: "Back in 2017, myself and the local councillors organised a public meeting for residents and we said then that we would make sure the residents are consulted on the whole project.

"I had the privilege of seeing the completed works on the external of the building and what a difference this project will have on the lives of the residents."

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Christmas Party Guide

Rely on the Vale to avoid the Christmas party pitfalls

CHRISTMAS comes around once again and it is time to make those important decisions about festive celebrations.

For some people, the period leading up to Christmas can mean a whole string of meals, parties and discos.

There are family celebrations to be organised, often revolving around the choice of whether to have that big Christmas Day meal at home – or to eat out and be waited upon and avoid the inevitable hassle and stress of serving a feast at home.

There are often office parties to be fitted in to the month, and the choice there can be overwhelming!

It doesn't end there, of course, because societies, clubs, voluntary groups and other organisations are all likely to be organising a Christmas do.

The bright side is that in the Vale of Glamorgan, there is a huge choice of places and venues that are offering a quality, good value Christmas experience – with an even wider of styles of cooking!

December can be a daunting social marathon, so it pays to plan ahead and, even though we are still in September, there are huge advantages in getting ahead of the mad rush.

After all, there is nothing more frustrating than finally getting round to making a decision, only to find that your choice is booked up!

Let's consider the family get-together first – and it need not be a straight choice between eating in or eating out on Christmas Day.

A family meal out – perhaps in the days leading up to Christmas – can take the pressure off the home event.

There is always great pressure to get Christmas Day right, and tempers will fray and nerves will get frazzled.

The knowledge that the family have already enjoyed a relaxing time eating out and looking forward to Christmas can really take the pressure off.

You can all sit down and watch *It's a Wonderful Life* (again) and take it all a great deal easier!

Perhaps the most straightforward is a Christmas dinner for a society, club or voluntary group, because in this case the members tend, by definition, to have similar interests.

With these groups, there is usually general agreement on the type of venue, and on the amount that members want to spend.

The main issue is finding a suitable venue at a price that comes in within the agreed parameters.

When it comes to organising office parties, there is even more reason for planning ahead.

It is always going to be difficult to get a consensus on where to eat, but at least if you start the decision-making process early, you have a better chance of choosing a venue that meets with the approval of the maximum number of people.

Leave it late, and you can guarantee a proportion of disgruntled diners who feel they were presented with a fait accompli.

Do your research

Of course, what many businesses do is delegate the matter to one or two 'lucky' individuals, who are asked to sound out opinion, do the research and then come up with suggestions.

This 'short straw' has the potential to turn into a poisoned chalice, but there is also the chance of glory if all goes well.

The problem with office parties, of course, is keeping different ages and temperaments happy – a difficult task at the best of times.

In a office or business do, there is usually a much wider spread of ages and temperaments – and the age gap between different party-goes is never wider than at the Christmas party.

There are culture clashes when it comes to music, fashion, food and especially when it comes to drink.

If you are under 30, check how many of the office over-50s have a clue about what a 'Jaegerbomb' is - and you will see the age gap in total clarity.

However, good planning can overcome most of these pitfalls, which only goes to emphasise how important it is to make an early decision to make sure that you book the package that you need.

And one real bonus is that if you are planning to book your festive evening in the Vale, you are totally spoiled for choice.

Competition is a great thing when it comes to eating out, because the sheer number of quality outlets drives up the standards.

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A classy restaurant?

Again, look around the Vale and you will be spoiled for choice, with each establishment offering its own distinctive menu.

A hotel, with the option of staying overnight?

Again, the Vale is well supplied with establishments that have a long history of offering fine service and fine dining.

Something a little more exotic?

Here in the Vale there are restaurants offering the national cuisine from many countries, and again the competition has driven prices down and the quality up.

Christmas is an important time of the year, and most people have high expectations.

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Chocolate and orange mousse
Conti's Artisan Ices:
vanilla, salted caramel, raspberry sorbet

£24.50 per person

Dinner Menu for Christmas Parties
(to include a glass of Prosecco on arrival)
Salmon fishcake
Jerusalem artichoke soup
Gravadlax with a whole grain mustard and dill sauce
Calamari with aioli
Potted shrimps

Butter and herb roasted free range Turkey
with seasonal vegetables and parsley and thyme stuffing
Roasted cutlet of hake with Beurre blanc
Mushroom stroganoff (V)
½ lobster and king prawns with garlic butter (£ 7 extra)
Sirloin steak with béarnaise and red wine jus
Pheasant braised with mushrooms, onions and red wine

Mrs Villa's Christmas Puddlng And Brandy Butter
Caramelized Oranges and Cream
chocolate and orange mousse
Poached plums with meringue and clotted cream
Creme Brulee with shortbread
Hazelnut and Raspberry Meringue
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Christmas Party Guide

Start 'looking and booking' so you enjoy the perfect Christmas party!

WHETHER you are planning an office party, a family get-together, or just a festive gathering with friends, making an early decision over where you have your Christmas party has a number of advantages.

The most obvious plus point is that you have a much better chance of booking your first choice.

So it is advisable get agreement from everyone so you can go ahead with a booking.

There's nothing worse than dithering over a decision and missing out on the right venue.

This is often the case when it comes to the most established venues that have established a good reputation.

There is a lot to be said for a group of trusted individuals taking charge, to ensure an early decision.

How often does everyone in a family – or in an office – get together to discuss a particular issue?

Another good reason for making an early start to your deliberations is that it will give time for some research.

Someone can go along to the venue and ask questions, or make a call to find out what's planned at Christmas.

What other things should be considered?

• Christmas Day is on a Wednesday this year.

• What day is best for colleagues in a workplace or for your family?

• What time should be booked – bearing in mind people might be travelling to a restaurant.

• If people are drinking, how are you organising the journey back home so that people don't have to drive?

Of course, there are venues with overnight accommodation which means a relaxing morning the next day with breakfast before setting off.

One thing that makes things easier for party planners is that here in the Vale of Glamorgan, there is a wealth of choice, with venues for any type of Christmas do.

In terms of eating out, standards are high because there is so much competition.

If a dinner dance is the choice, then there are several hotels that offer just that.

If a meal in pleasant surroundings is the aim, then you can find good food everywhere, in a variety of settings, ranging from a traditional pub to a trendy bistro or tapas bar.

A number of places do outside catering, so it is even possible to find your own venue, and then employ a specialist to provide a great culinary experience.

In terms of post-meal entertainment, the Vale is exceptionally well provided.

For those so inclined, finishing off the evening with live music is quite possible, if you plan ahead.

There are country pubs where you can 'while away' the rest of the evening, perhaps in front of a real fire in the bar.

In fact, a bit of research should be able to establish which places offer bands and music.

Party organisers can live off the kudos of a successful Christmas event for a large part of the following year. "What a great night that was!"

So, no matter what sort of Christmas you envisage, it is definitely not too early to start looking and booking!

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Christmas Evening Menu
Mon - Thu evenings, 2 - 24 December

Prawn Cocktail
Garlic or Stilton Mushrooms
Soup of the Day
Deep fried Brie with conserve & toasted Brioche
Devilled Whitebait (with choice of Tabasco sauce)
Toasted Bruschetta
cherry tomatoes, garlic, parsley gently warmed and served on tossted ciabatta bread with olive oil and Balsamic dressing
* * * * *
Chicken Catatori
Chicken breast cooked in ruby port, red wine, peppers, onions in a rich tomato sauce, finished with cream and black olives
Chicken Princess
Chicken breast cooked in white wine and cheese sauce
Scottish Salmon Fillet pan fried with parsley butter
Grilled Sirloin Steak (£7 supplement)
Served plain or with a choice of sauce
Aupoivre (creamy pepper sauce)
Champignon (rich mushroom sauce)
Diane (onions, mushrooms, tomato and garlic sauce)
Pork Tenderloin
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Roast Glamorgan Turkey with trimmings
* * * * *
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* * * * *
Choice of Sweet Trolley
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Christmas Evening Menu
Mon - Sat 6.30pm - 9.30pm, 2 - 24 December

Prawn Cocktail
Melon with Port (or plain melon)
Garlic or Stilton Mushrooms
Deep fried Brie with conserve & toasted Brioche
Devilled Whitebait (with choice of Tabasco sauce)
Soup of the Day
* * * * *
Roast Glamorgan Turkey served with trimmings
Rump of Welsh Lamb
with Port & Redcurrant Sauce (£6 supplement)
Chicken Princess
Chicken breast cooked in white wine and cheese sauce
Grilled Scotch 10oz Fillet Steak (£6 supplement)
Served plain or with a choice of sauce
Aupoivre (creamy pepper sauce)
Champignon (rich mushroom sauce)
Diane (onions, mushrooms, tomato and garlic sauce)
Scottish Salmon Fillet pan fried with parsley butter
Porterhouse Steak (£8 supplement)
Served plain or with a choice of the above sauces
Pan fried Duck Breast served with black cherry sauce
Served pink
* * * * *
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* * * * *
Choice of Sweet Trolley
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Charity tractor run raised funds for Nick's Trust

ON September 22 a tractor run was held at Llanilid Farm in aid of Nick's Trust Fund and the MS Society, which was a great success WRITES KAY LEWIS.

Over 90 tractors set off travelling through the lanes to Sealands Farm for a refreshment stop, then continued along the coast through Southerndown and Ogmore by Sea returning to Llanilid Farm for a hog roast.

The organisers would like to thank everyone who attended the event for their kind support and donations, and those who gave items for the auction and raffle; also Mr and Mrs R Anthony and family for their support and hospitality.

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Other pictures are available from this event

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Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Wales) Order 2012
Listed Building Consent / Caniatâd Adeilad Rhestredig

Application No:/Rhif y cais:	2019/00991/LBC
Proposal:/Cynnig:	Dismantle original leaking chimney(s) and re-build using modern materials and techniques to match existing. Extend existing garage to accommodate second vehicle using materials and finish to match existing house
Location:/Lleoliad:	16, Cory Crescent, Peterston Super Ely
Listed Building:/Adeilad Rhestredig	Grade II

Application(s) of General Interest / Ceisiadau o Ddiddordeb Cyffredinol

Application No:/Rhif y cais:	2019/00920/FUL
Proposal:/Cynnig:	Change of Use and Extension to existing building to provide 4 x Restaurants (Use Class A3) with external seating areas, including landscaping and ancillary works
Location:/Lleoliad:	Former Public Toilets, Friars Road, Nells Point, Barry Island
Application No:/Rhif y cais:	2019/00976/FUL
Proposal:/Cynnig:	Proposed erection of Class B1/B2/B8 Development (Phase 3) together with associated parking and access arrangements
Location:/Lleoliad:	Land at Windmill Park, Hayes Road, Barry

Application(s) with Environmental Statement / Cais (au) gyda Datganiad Amgylcheddol

NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 8

Proposed development at Land at Model Farm, Port Road, Rhoose.

I give notice that Legal & General (Strategic Land) Ltd is applying to The Vale of Glamorgan Council for Planning Permission to Outline application comprising demolition of existing buildings and erection of 44.79ha Class B1/B2/B8 Business Park, car parking, landscaping, drainage infrastructure, biodiversity provision and ancillary works. All matters reserved aside from access.

The proposal has been submitted with an environmental statement which can be inspected at the address given below. Members of the public may obtain copies of the environmental statement from RPS Planning and Development, Park House, Greyfriars Road, Cardiff. CF10 3AF so long as stocks last.

Members of the public may inspect copies of:

- The application.
- The plans.
- The environmental statement.
- Other documents submitted with the application.

at the address given below during all reasonable hours until 17 October, 2019.

Anyone who wishes to make representations about this application should write to the Head of Planning and Transportation at the address given below by 17 October 2019 quoting reference 2019/00871/OUT.

HYSBYSIAD O DAN ERTHYGL 8

Datblygiad arfaethedig yn Land at Model Farm, Port Road, Rhoose

Hysbysir trwy hyn Legal & General (Strategic Land) Ltd n gwneud cais i Gyngor Bro Morgannwg am Ganiatâd Cynllunio ar gyfe Outline application comprising demolition of existing buildings and erection of 44.79ha Class B1/B2/B8 Business Park, car parking, landscaping, drainage infrastructure, biodiversity provision and ancillary works. All matters reserved aside from access.

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Dylai unrhyw un sydd am wneud sylwadau ar y cais ysgrifennu at Bennaeth Cynllunio a Chludiant y cyngor (gwelwch y dudalen ar waelod y dudalen) erbyn 17 October 2019 an ddyfynnu'r cyfeirnod 2019/00871/OUT.

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Dated / Dyddiedig: 26 September, 2019

V. L. Robinson
Operational Manager, Regeneration and Planning,
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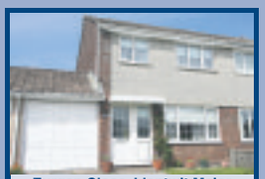

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These are just a few of the things that go through a car buyer's mind including: what will my bank account look like at the end of each month, and what will all your friends and family think of it?Well for once, I am going to say, 'who cares' – it's your car, so what does it matter what anyone thinks?

Power and efficiency: My test car was fitted with a 1.6-litre turbo diesel engine that produces 136PS and a maximum torque value of 320Nm, making it incredibly good at getting a move on quite quickly – not bad then for a car that I consider to be quite large. 0-60mph also comes in at around 10 seconds and at a push it will return over 56mpg.

Max speed is also up at 129mph.

Of course, maybe diesel is not your thing any more and you prefer to waste your time waiting for your EV to charge. The thought of waiting around for hours to charge my main mode of transport does not appeal to me one bit, if I'm being honest.

On the road: The Insignia handles well but I feel it is not as much fun to drive as it could be - although the steering is direct, which is one better than most.

The Insignia also feels very well put together, the grip levels are also good, and the suspension has no problem dealing with our ever-increasingly poor road network of potholes and uneven surfaces.

This car was also built as a mile muncher, which is where it shines. It's also very relaxing to drive and the cabin noise is very minimal, even with a strapping diesel engine fitted.

Interior and technology: The interior is fresh, and all the buttons and dials are clear. The front seats have plenty of adjustment to them and feel well made and very comfortable. Rear legroom is also good, and the boot space is fantastic. I also like the wide boot opening.

So, what do you get in the form of goodies? Well, it starts with a DAB radio with seven speakers, driving assistance pack, front and rear parking sensors, cruise control with speed limiter, LED daytime running lights, LED rear lights, electronic climate control, ESP, six airbags, remote control central deadlocking with keyless start and 17" alloy wheels.

To sum up: The Insignia has always been a decent buy and now, thanks to many upgrades over time, it's modern, fresh and will easily handle a large family. Forget the days of this being a sales rep motor, because this is clearly not the case any more.

The Insignia is a decent car that deserves respect. If I was in the mood for a large car, then the Insignia would be on my list of the top three cars I should be looking at.

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Close matches aplenty on Wenvoe Castle finals day

Club Finals Day at Wenvoe Castle is a busy day, with eight finals, including the men's club championship and ladies championship. both over 36 holes.

It is a chance for members to have their names on the honours boards, which date back over 80 years to the club's formation in 1936. Matt Mullooly was no stranger to the board, having won the Men's Club Championship for the past three years and was defending his title against a quality opponent in Dave Barrell, previous club champion and current Glamorgan County champion.

Men's Club Champion Matt Mullooly receiving his trophy from Club Captain Lesley Sherrard with runner up Dave Barrell (right).

Ladies Champion Lucy Sellick receiving her trophy from past Lady Captain Lynda Hudd with runner up Barbara Beedham (left).

The match saw a barrage of birdies and an eagle and, after the first 18 holes, Dave Barrell deservedly held a narrow lead.

In previous years, Matt had shown a steely determination to grind out a result and by the penultimate hole held a one-hole lead. The last two holes showed some superb recovery skills by Dave to win the 17th and then chip very close to gain a half on the last.

All square at the last hole meant sudden death up the long par five first hole, the match followed by an ever-increasing band of spectators.

Both players found the trees with their drives but managed to get to the edge of the green in three, and Matt clinched the title with a par after Dave had missed a tricky downhill putt.

Club captain Lesley Sherrard refereed the match and presented the trophy to Matt highlighting the skill of both players in a match played in a truly sporting manner.

The Ladies Championship was between Lucy Sellick and Barbara Beedham, a previous winner in 2014. Lucy settled quickly and built up a commanding lead to reach the halfway stage five up. She gave little away in the afternoon, playing steadily to maintain the gap. Eventually Barbara ran out of holes and the match finished on the 13th hole with Lucy the deserved winner by 6 and 5. Lady vice captain Lynda Hudd refereed the match and complimented both players on an excellent match, played in a real sporting manner.

The remaining six finals were all played over 18 holes and produced some very close finishes, with five going to the finishing holes and of these, two went on to sudden death.

The Men's Robert Rickards Championship proved to be one of the closest, between experienced team players Dennis Davies and Kevin Knowles. A match of high quality which could have gone either way and over the closing holes, Dennis kept in the match through some exceptional putting. The game finished all square. It was sudden death on the first hole where Kevin managed to shrug off his determined opponent and clinched the trophy.

Disappointingly, the final of the H Regan Trophy could not be played following the withdrawal of one of the players but Paul Wheatley and Meirion Rees had played well to reach the final after several successful rounds and were declared the winners.

The Dragon Trophy is for player with handicaps of 10 or over. Chris Tatt played Tim Dimond , and this match went to the final hole where Tim held on to a one-hole lead to win.

The ladies held three finals with Dee Lloyd and Jane Lott the first to tee off in the Mary Fellows Bowl. Another match where handicaps would be an important factor with the experienced Jane Lott conceding 10 strokes to her opponent. This contributed to a close encounter. The match went to the penultimate hole where Dee was absolutely thrilled to close out the match and win 2 and 1.

Two experienced players, Wendy Motton and Jane Barrell, contested the Ladies Bronze Championship. Wendy played well to build up a commanding lead and despite her best efforts Jane gradually ran out of holes over the back nine. The match eventually finished on the par 3 15th hole where Wendy deservedly won by 5 and 3.

Debbie Williams and Nicola Manning were closely matched in the final of the Blod Lewis Cup. Neither managed to build up a lead and it went to the final hole where Debbie was clearly delighted to clinch the trophy, winning two up.

The last of the 18-hole finals was the Dr & Mrs A M Jones Trophy, a mixed pairs competition involving Andy Evans and Sandra Hathway against Mickey Lee and Lady Captain Lynda Lee. This keenly contested match proved to last the longest of all the 18-hole matches and went to sudden death, where Andy and Sandra finally managed to secure this coveted trophy.

The players all appreciated the excellent weather on the day and, the efforts of the green staff to present the course in such magnificent condition. It was particularly rewarding to see all the finals completed as planned and the Club Captain Lesley Sherrard thanked all the members who took part in competitions throughout the summer months.

BJ

It's a thriller in Brynhilla as club legends battle it out on finals day

Scotty Bowman receives the Club Championship Trophy from vice-captain Alan Sweeny.

Brynhill staged its Finals day recently and thanks to the hard work and dedication of the green keeping staff, the Barry course has never looked better.

Chief Buck Rabbit (17.5 to 28 handicap) was won by Steve Doyle, who fought back from three down to beat Andy Chick by 5/3.

In the Midway (9.5 to 18 handicap) Andy Goodland took on Mike Moore.

Things were a lot tighter in this match, with the lead changing hands twice in the first three holes, before Moore battled to 3 up on the par 4 10th.

This was pegged back to all square by the time they stood on the 17th tee.

Moore took the 17th to walk down the 18th fairway one up and a half on 18 was good enough to seal victory.

In the main event, two Brynhill legends, Kyron Sullivan and Scotty Bowman, contested the Club Championship in a match that, as you'd expect, produced plenty of quality golf over the two rounds.

With the scores level after 36 holes, it needed an extra hole to decide the winner, with the pair having to play the 18th again. Both players stood over birdie putts that were pretty much equidistant. Sullivan putted first but saw his ball hit the hole and horseshoe almost 360 degrees before agonisingly stopping right on the lip.

Up stepped Bowman and after all the qualifiers and knockout rounds it came down to this one putt.

Amazingly Scott's ball also horseshoed but decided, after wiping its feet, to drop in, making him champion for the third straight year and 10th time in total.

Also contested on Saturday was the George Williams Trophy, which saw Dave Johnson defeat Neil Tipples.

On Sunday, it was back to medal golf with the Holme Towers Charity Cup. Top of the pile was Micky Perry, whose 67 was just enough to squeeze out Paddy Moore by a solitary shot. Perry also took the best gross with a two over par 74.

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Mike Moore receives the Midway Trophy.

Llantwit under-12s in form against Cowbridge

Llantwit Major JFC under-12s welcomed Cowbridge Bulls to Windmill Lane in glorious sunshine.

Cowbridge took the initiative and were soon on the offensive with keeper Isaac having to be brave and pull off some great saves, taking a few knocks in the process.

Llantwit soon settled their nerves with the opening goal from Josh Lewis.

It was then one way traffic, although the Llantwit players decided to play individually with everyone wanting to take the world on rather than just play the passing game.

Goals came through Correy Gaertig (2), Brodie Beare (2), Austin Caffery and Dylan Godsell with a number of other chances either hitting the post or going just wide. By half time it was 7-0.

With all 16 of the squad available, the Llantwit coaches rang the changes to give all boys a run out.

The second half was again one way traffic with Llantwit finding space at every opportunity.

Correy Gaertig soon scored his hat-trick, Josh Lewis bagged another and one into the roof of the net from Keaton Precious made it an impressive 10-0 result for the Lions.

Man of the match went to Isaac Martin-Evans who had a fine first half in goal with some brave saves, but also found himself making an appearance outfield in the second half!

Team: Isaac Martin-Evans, Harrison Edwards, Tomos Davies, Austin Caffery, Joseph Kincaid, Dylan Godsell, Brodie Beare, Joshua Lewis, Joshua Puddick, Finley Wheaton, Correy Gaertig, Kai Wilson, Luke Collinson, Jack Morris, Mason Winter and Keaton Precious

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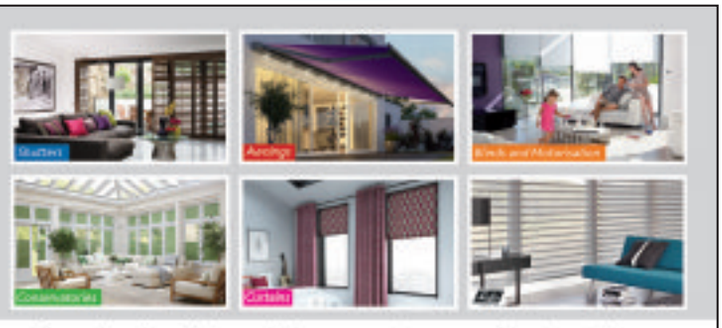

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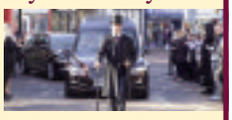

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MORT
Mary Elizabeth

Sadly on 16th September 2019, Mary aged 66 years, beloved daughter of Hazel.
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Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the funeral service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry on Wednesday, 9th October at 11am.
Flowers may be sent to the funeral home.

FERDA
Peter

Passed away peacefully on 16th September 2019, aged 77 years. A dearly loved husband, father and grandfather.
Funeral service will take place on Friday, 4th October 2019 at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend at 2.15pm.
Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, in lieu to Cardiff & Vale Health Charity c/o W.H. Preene & Son, Mwyndy, Pontyclun, CF72 8PN. Tel 01443 223368.

GRAY
Theodore (Mel)

After a long illness on 13th September 2019, aged 75 years, loving father of Anthony, Melanie and Stuart. Devoted grandfather to all his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
Mel will be sadly missed by all his family, friends and most of all his loyal dog Tyson.
Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare, until the service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium on Friday, 4th October at 11am.
Family flowers only, donations may be made in lieu of flowers to Velindre Cancer Care at the service.

HARRHY
Glynne Anthony Ivor

After a long courageous battle with cancer, he sadly past way on the 12th September 2019.
Resting at Robert D Johnson Funeral Directors, 29 Holton Road, Barry. A service to celebrate Glynne's life will be held at the Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry on Friday, 4th October at 1pm.
Donations in memory of Glynne can be made at the service to Cancer Research.
For all enquiries please telephone 01446 733844.

FERRER
Mark

Sadly passed away suddenly on 16th September 2019 at Morriston Hospital, Swansea. Loving husband to Debbie, adored father to Sarah and Amy. Devoted bampy to Chloe and Amelia and father-in-law to Darren and Joshua.
Mark will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.
Resting at Robert D Johnson Funeral Directors, 29 Holton Road, Barry. Funeral service will be held at the Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry on Friday, 27th September at 3pm.
Family flowers only. Donations may be made to the British Heart Foundation, Air Ambulance or Fire Brigade Benevelont Fund.

KING
Kenneth Francis

Died peacefully 18th September 2019 aged 93. Devoted husband of Ann, loving father of Hazel and Jayne and son-in-law Martin. Adored grandfather of Rebecca and Victoria and great-grandfather of Lily and Ruby. Former Mayor of Pencoed and Ogwr Borough.
Much loved by all his family and respected by his friends. Ken will be sadly missed.
Funeral in Salem Chapel, Pencoed on Monday, 21st October at 1pm, followed then by burial in Pencoed cemetery.
All are welcome to share memories after the service upstairs in Pencoed Social Club lounge.
Family flowers only but donations may be made in his memory towards a community defibrillator.
Further enquiries to Mr Ron Watkins, Funeral Director 01656 860545.

Family Notices

DIMOND
Valerie Glenys (Val)
(*née* Reed)

Passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on 13th September 2019 at home. Beloved wife of the late Graham. Adored mum to Sue, Gaynor, Dawn, Graham and Philip and a much loved mother-in-law. Cherished Nan, Nannie Al and Nannie Noo to her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Beloved sister to Carol, Graham and her late brother and sisters.

Val will be deeply missed by all her family and friends.

She will live on forever in our hearts.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service on Thursday, 3rd October at 12 noon at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, in memory of Val, may be made to Dog's Trust, Bridgend.

COLEMAN
Leslie Robert

Peacefully at Llandough Hospital on 13th September, Leslie, beloved husband to the late Penny. Much loved dad of Jim and the late David. Loving grandfather of Ben, respected father-in-law of Linda.

Leslie will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until his service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry on Tuesday, 1st October at 1pm.

Floral tributes may be sent to the funeral home or donations in lieu may be made at the service to support Ty Hapus, Barry.

Further enquiries please telephone 01446 407962.

BLICK
Margaret Lynette

Margaret passed away peacefully at Milsom House, St Athan on 16th September 2019. Beloved wife of the late Vivian, loving mother to Cheryl and the late Denise and mother-in-law to the late David. Cherished gran of Naithan, Amy, Gabrielle and great grandmother to Jake, Zack and Ruby.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Tuesday, 1st October, service 1.30pm at Holy Cross Church, Cowbridge, followed by cremation 2.45pm at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Dementia UK c/o the funeral director.

WHITTAKER
Sandra

Passed away on 13th September 2019 at Llandough Hospital. Loved wife of Alan. Adored mum to David and the late Helen and mother-in-law to Mike and Claire. Cherished nan to Shannon and Rachel. Wonderful sister to Vaughan and Graham and sister-in-law to Pat, Jane and Gerald.

Sandra will be greatly missed by all her family and friends.

She will live on forever in our hearts.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service on Tuesday, 8th October at 11am at our Chapel of Rest, Barry, followed by committal at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry.

Flowers flowers only. Donations, if desired, in memory of Sandra, may be made to Holme Towers, Penarth.

JOHNSON
Maurice

Peacefully passed away, aged 101, at Wyndham House Care Home, Minehead on Monday 9th September 2019. A Former Managing Director of Bridgend Glazing & Silvering Co. Ltd, he was resident in Ogmore-by-Sea for 37 happy years. After the death of his wife Beattie, he lived with his daughter Jean and her husband Mike, first in Llangan and then in Holford, West Somerset. He will be sadly missed by Jean, Mike, granddaughter Caroline, great-granddaughter Sarah and by his brother Norman, sister Freda and their families who all live in Canada.

Funeral Service at Sedgemoor Crematorium on Thursday, 26th September at 1pm.

Family flowers only, donations in memory may be sent to Grandfield & Son, Funeral Directors, Nether Stowey, Bridgwater, TA5 1HZ and will be divided between the charities 'Dogs Trust' and 'Cats Protection'.

DAVIES
Lorraine Frances
(*née* Norton)

It is with great sadness that the family of Lorraine announce her sudden and unexpected passing, at her home in Wick, on 9th September. Beloved wife of Michael, adored mother of Maddy, Lilli, Evan and Dan, and much loved daughter and sister of Stewart, Philip and Julia.

Will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Funeral Tuesday, 1st October, service at St Bridget's Church, St Brides Major at 2.00pm, followed by cremation at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend at 3.15pm.

Family flowers only. Donations, if so desired, for Llamau c/o W.H. Preene & Son, Mwyndy, Pontyclun, CF72 8PN. Tel 01443 223368.

GOODWIN
Peta (*née* Grace)

Died peacefully at home on 17th September with her family around her. A unique and special Barry girl, she will be sorely missed by everyone who knew her. Governor of Barry College, Chairman of Birch Grove Conservation Group, not to mention brilliant wife, mother and grandmother.

Resting at Robert Johnson Independent Funeral Directors, 29, Holton Road, Barry. Funeral service to be held at All Saints Church on Monday, 30th September at 1pm.

No flowers please. Donations in Peta's memory to the World Wildlife Fund, would be welcomed.

For all enquiries please telephone 01446 733844.

CHADWICK
Anthony Harold
"Tony"

Retired Deputy Welsh Secretary, British Medical Association. Passed away peacefully following a courageous battle against cancer, at Marie Curie Hospice, Penarth on 14th September 2019.

He will be greatly missed by family and friends.

Funeral service to be held at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend on Monday, 30th September at 2.15pm.

Family flowers only, and colourful ties, not black please. Donations to Marie Curie, c/o Mel & Ron Watkins Funeral Services, 2, Hilda House, The Square, Pencoed, Bridgend, CF35 5NP. Tel: 01656 860545.

HARVEY
Evelyn Beryl

Beryl passed away peacefully, aged 89 years at Y Bwthyn Newydd, Bridgend on 6th September 2019. Loved wife of the late Arthur, loving mother to Timothy and David. Adored grandmother to Stacey, Daniel, Dominic and Katy. Great-grandmother to Isabelle and Emilia.

Beryl will be greatly missed by her family and many friends.

Resting at W.A. Brown Funeralcare until the funeral service on Friday, 4th October at St Illtud's Church, Llantwit Major at 10.30am, followed by commital at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, in memory of Beryl, may be made to Y Bwthyn Newydd, Bridgend or at the service.

DELL
Cas (*née Simister*)

Our dear Cas, loving wife, mother, daughter, sister and friend, passed away peacefully on 21st September 2019 at home, surrounded by her family. Cas was tremendously brave and strong in living with cancer for such a long time. We will always remember her as a fantastic mother who loved her children 'to the moon and back', who lived for her family and friends, and who illuminated everyone around her.

A celebratory service for family and friends will be held at Holy Cross Church on Tuesday, 8th October at 12.15pm, followed by light refreshments. Cas has asked for everyone to wear bright colours.

Family flowers only. Any donations to Friends of Velindre or Second Hope may be sent to W.H. Preene & Son, Mwyndy, Pontyclun, CF72 8PN. Tel 01443 223368.

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Your loving wife Glo xxxxxx

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Always miss you and love you.
Love from, Janet, Sarah & Paul
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Any responsible authority or any other person may make representations in respect of the application, which must be submitted, in writing, to the following address before the date shown below:-
Licensing Section, Bridgend County Borough Council, Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB
NAME OF APPLICANT: Bang-On Brewery Ltd
NAME AND POSTAL ADDRESS OF THE PREMISES:
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STATEMENT OF INTENDED LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES:
The sale by retail of alcohol, for off-premises consumption, 7 days a week during the opening hours of the Designer Outlet Centre, 10:00 to 20:00 or 22:00 if late night opening applies
DATE BY WHICH REPRESENTATIONS MUST BE MADE:
This notice remains in force from and including the day after the giving of this notice to the licensing authority, namely 20th September 2019, for 28 consecutive days.
It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application. The maximum fine on summary conviction is £5,000.

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Licensing Section, Bridgend County Borough Council, Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB
NAME OF APPLICANT: Ryan Jenkins
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14th October 2019
This notice remains in force from and including the day after the giving of this notice to the licensing authority, namely 14th October 2019, for 28 consecutive days.
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Competitive finals day at Sully Sports Bowling Club

Club Championship presentation: Charles Coomber (champion); Dennis Austin, Chairman; Lee Romans (runner up)

ON a fine sunny day, Sully Sports Bowls Club brought the season to an end with finals day and the contestants served up a feast, with bowling of the highest calibre.

The Pairs Final opened proceedings as Ken Agius and Gerry Currie took on Les Adams and Dennis Austin. Although the latter won the first end, they disastrously then lost the next seven, from which they never recovered.

All four players bowled well at times, but it was the nagging accuracy of Gerry Currie, playing lead, that won the game. He gave his skip Ken Agius a reasonably easy ride, to a 22-11 victory after 20 ends.

Ken was immediately back on the green to face Charles Coomber in the Handicap Final, which turned out to be a classic. Both were on top form and the lead changed hands six times by the 13th end, where they were then tied at 12-12.

A two for Coomber on the 14th gave him back the lead, but great bowling by Agius saw him take the next five ends to lead 19-14, and put him on the verge of victory, until superb pressure bowling from Coomber won him the next four ends and victory by 21-19.

Last year's club champion, Lee Romans, took on club captain Graham Brown, in the 2 Woods Final. After 11 close-fought ends, Romans stood a shot down at 6-7, at which point Brown took complete charge, winning the following six ends to clinch a 17-6 victory.

After a break for refreshments, and to cool down from the relentless hot sun, Charles Coomber and Lee Romans contested the Championship Final, and despite what appeared to be an easy win on the scorecard, this did not reflect the quality, and competitiveness, of both bowlers.

They shared the first four ends, at three apiece, at which point Coomber bowled some of his best woods of the season to take five of the next six ends, scoring 14 shots to 1, and putting himself within touching distance of victory.

Romans fought valiantly to the end, but seven ends later Coomber clinched the championship 21-10.

MS

Handicap Championship Charles Coomber (champion); P Holland, secretary; Ken Agius (runner up)

Charles retains 'Super 70s' title

THE annual stableford competition for members of the Sseniors section at Cottrell Park who were born either during or just after World War Two was held recently on the Mackintosh course with 35 eligible to play.

Despite the damp conditions, just two points separated the top five at the end of a most enjoyable morning's golf. In fifth place with 37 points was David Stephenson, followed in fourth place by Dai 'Pop' Davies with 38 points.

In third place, also with 38 points, were Godfrey Lewis and Ray Reakes, who finished runner up.

Finishing ahead of the field with 39 points was Colwinston resident and defending champion Charles Vicary, who returned a very impressive 39 points to become the 'Super Seniors' champion for 2019. Nearest the pin on the par three holes were Martyn Hurst, Bruce Rankine, Billy Moore and Terry Hoggett, while Peter Fryer hit the longest drive down the 18th fairway to win the longest drive prize.

Those competing were delighted to welcome member Peter Archer to the prize giving ceremony to present the prizes.

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Llantwit Major Under-7 girls football

THE Llantwit Major under-7s girls had a great start to the season, with a win in their first three games.

They played amazingly from start to finish and did not give up. The first game was very close, but we just nipped it from a 2-1 loss against Hopkinstown; however we had a huge comeback winning 3-2 with a few players from Llanbradach helping us to secure the win against Hopkinstown.

In our final game again we were just short, with a 2-1 loss from Hopkinstown. The girls did extremely well from only having stated six weeks ago. The season is looking bright for Llantwit under-7 girls. Still open to recruiting players, so please call 07494 612861 for more information (years one and two).

LR

Good win for the Athletic Youth at Bryncethin

BRIDGEND Ath Youth travelled to Bryncethin for an eagerly awaited fixture in the Ospreys Youth League in Division C East against a strong Bryncethin outfit.

They came away with an outstanding 17-3 win, keeping their unbeaten start in the league intact. They have now won three out of three and top the league with 14 points. They have a remarkable 98–6 points differential and to the delight of defence coach Paul Yardley, have yet to concede a try this season.

Both sides started strongly with both teams winning good ball from scrum and lineout and attacking each other through their back play. The first 20 minutes was tight and Bryncethin went in to a 3-point lead after kicking a penalty from just outside the Ath 22.

However, this appeared to galvanise the Ath team who started to pile on the pressure, and a great break by centre Dan O'Sullivan saw the final pass to Tom Florence go agonisingly short which would have been a fantastic score.

However, two minutes later, constant pressure and great forward drives saw a ruck formed 5 metres out and hooker Jack Hobard drove over for a great try, with the conversion narrowly missed to give the Athletic a narrow 5-3 half time lead.

The second half saw strong Ath pressure, which resulted in a remarkable try for centre Tom Florence.

He made a break and was initially tackled about 30 metres out. He continued to drive forward and defenders started to fall off him, eventually crashing over the line wide out on the right for a remarkable try, again, the conversion narrowly missed. This spurred the Ath on and a great forward drive saw replacement hooker Ben Owen powering his way over for a try which was converted by Rhys Williams.

Bryncethin then upped their game and camped in the Ath 22 for fully 10 minutes pounding the Ath try line. However, fantastic defence by the Ath kept their line intact.

With one-minute remaining, second row Morgan Bennett raced away down the touchline showing remarkable speed for what looked like a bonus point try; however, a great tackle by the Bryncethin full back prevented the try.

Final score: Bryncethin Youth 3, Bridgend Athletic Youth 17.

On Saturday, September 28, the Athletic host Beddau of the Blues Region in a National Plate Cup Tie.

Prop Logan Shearan on the charge against Bryncethin. (Photograph by John Canon).

Red ribbons for 'Alfie' as the Pencoed Phoenix triumph against tough opposition

Pencoed Phoenix scrum half Laura Keeble makes a break. Photographs by Julie Hancock.

BONYMAEN arrived at the Recreation Ground with the impressive record of consecutive promotions to the Premiership, and a stern test for Pencoed Phoenix was anticipated, and this was just how things materialised .

There was little between the sides in the opening half and it was well into this period before the visitors opened the scoring with back row forward Moore crossing under the posts for Stevens to add the extras.

In the dying moments of the half Phoenix levelled matters, Katie Murphy doing well to get the touchdown despite the close attention of a number of defenders. Leanne Burnell converted and the sides went in at 7-7.

As the second half unfolded, the home pack began to get on top at the scrum with the front row of Lisa Marie Jordan, Lowri O'Raw, and Eleri Harris Thomas scrummaging purposefully, negating to some extent the threat of the visitors' back row ball carriers.

It was Phoenix who edged ahead, completing a number of phases in the visitors' 22 before swift hands from the threequarters saw Linzi Morgan race over wide out.

Despite a number of dangerous forays from the visitors, Phoenix got their third try, outside half Burnell taking a quick tap penalty before going over in determined manner under a mass of bodies to set up victory for the home side.

For Phoenix there were a number of good performances, in particular up front with the front row providing the necessary platform for success. Back row forwards Amy Stevens and Murphy were also prominent throughout. Replacement Jade Thomas also did well, winning vital turnovers with the home side under pressure.

Bonymaen chose Sam Galeon as best Phoenix forward with Leanne Burnell chosen as best back.

On the day, Phoenix wore red ribbons in support of Gareth (Alfie) Thomas following his recent disclosure.

Young Phoenix made it a double on the day with a 41-19 win at Llantwit Fardre. Ellen Evans and Meg Lewis both completed a hat trick of tries , with captain Hannah Marshall also getting a try and adding three conversions.

In a good all-round team performance, prop forward Molly Prance was impressive in the tackle area with Marshall also enjoying a good performance. Second row Chloe Gant was chosen as Phoenix player of the match.

Match report by Terry Rees. Photographs by Julie Hancock.

David's hole in one steals the show as farmers visit Peterstone Lakes

THE monthly meeting of the Glamorgan Farmers' Golf Society was held recently at Peterstone Lakes Golf Club when 41 competitors attempted to win one of the many excellent prizes supplied by sponsors Anthony Brown & Company, Estate Agents of Llantwit Major.

Situated in the Gwent levels in a site of special scientific interest, Peterstone Lakes golf course meanders through natural waterways with the Severn estuary lapping against the sea wall bordering the course.

Despite a strong breeze causing a few problems, several members kept their composure over the 18 holes Stableford competition. John Caines in particular was in fine form to return to the clubhouse with a winning score of 38 points, leaving society captain Clive Thomas in second place with 33.

Charles Vicary finished third place with 32 points, followed on 31 by the rapidly-improving David Harris, and also David Williams who achieved at some expense what every golfer dreams of – a hole in one – on the 131-yard par-3 11th.

David Sloan with 36 points was successful in the section for guests followed by 16-year-old Clawdd-Coch resident Alex Roe, who finished with 34. Sponsors representative Carl Brown finished third with 31.

Nearest the pin on the Watts & Morgan, Cowbridge, sponsored par-3 holes were Tim Jarvis, David Sloan, Julian Golunski, Dan Jarvis and the hole in one specialist David Williams.

Rob Price somehow managed to hit a straight drive down the 17th fairway to win the Llanerch Vineyard and Restaurant sponsored prize and Charles Vicary returned home with the Picketston Poultry sponsored prize when correctly guessing the number of balls that would fail to make the journey home. This raised £100 for the injured jockey's charity.

Society members are now looking forward to their annual tour when 24 members will be travelling over the Irish Sea to Clifden in County Galway to compete for the David Evans (Agriculture) Ltd trophy playing 54 holes over three days at Connemara.

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Pictured above are: Anthony Brown, captain Clive Thomas, David Williams and Mark Brown.

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16 16 MINI COOPER 1.5 3dr, pepper + tlc pack, 16"black alloys, 28k, grey

£9495 NO BUYERS FEES

18 18 MINI COOPER 1.5 DII 5dr (Facelift), John Cooper Works chilli pack, 17"black alloys, privacy glass, red

£13995 NO BUYERS FEES

15 64 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 3dr, chilli pack, heated seats, 17"alloys, 23k, half-leather

£7995 NO BUYERS FEES

16 66 BMW 640 D M Sport 2dr Convertible Automatic, sat nav, 20"alloys, m sport + pack, beige soft top, 27k, full leather

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16 66 MINI PACEMAN 1.6 ALL4 3dr Automatic, media pack – sat nav, pepper pack, tlc pack, 7k, half-leather

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18 68 BMW 118 I Sport 5dr, BMW warranty Oct 2021, sat nav, Bluetooth, 18"alloys, only 695 miles, white £15995

17 67 BMW 120 I M Sport 3dr (181bhp), BMW warranty Sept 2020, pro media – sat nav, apple carplay, 14k, grey, full leather £15995

15 64 BMW M135i 3.0 M Sports 5dr automatic (321bhp), sat nav, Bluetooth, 34k, orange, full oyster leather £16495

15 15 BMW 116 D EfficientDynamics Business 5dr, sat nav, blue, full leather £8995

15 65 BMW 116 D M Sport 5dr, sat nav, privacy glass, comfort pack, 36k, choice £11995

15 65 BMW 116 D M Sport 3dr, 18"alloys, privacy glass, 38k, white £11795

15 65 BMW 116 D Sport 5dr, sat nav, Bluetooth, dab, 17"alloys, 28k, white £10795

16 66 BMW 116 D Sport 5dr Automatic, sat nav, pdc front & rear, Bluetooth, white £11495

16 66 BMW 116 D ED Plus 3dr, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, dab, pdc, grey £9995

16 66 BMW 116 D ED Plus 5dr, sat nav, sunroof, dab, aux, usb, 33k, blue £10995

17 67 BMW 116 D M Sport 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty Dec 2020, sat nav, xenons, 18"alloys, 18k, black £15495

18 68 BMW 116 D Sport 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty Sept 2021, sat nav, pdc, 5k, black £15995

12 62 BMW 118 D M Sport 3dr, pdc, privacy glass, 48k, estoril blue £8995

14 64 BMW 118 D M Sport 5dr, driver comfort pack, privacy glass, 42k, estoril blue £10995

15 65 BMW 118 DSE 5dr, pro media – sat nav, heated seats, 23k, blue £10795

16 16 BMW 118 D M Sport 5dr, sat nav, privacy glass, choice £12495

16 16 BMW 118 D M Sport 3dr, 18"alloys, comfort pack, 15k, blue £13995

16 16 BMW 118 D Sport 5dr, sat nav, 17"alloys, privacy glass, 30k, choice £10995

16 66 BMW 118 D Sport 5dr, sat nav, 17"alloys, comfort pack, 30k, black £11495

16 66 BMW 118 I M Sport 5dr, sat nav, 18"alloys, 25k, estoril blue £13995

16 65 BMW 218 D Sport Active Tourer 5dr, sat nav, cruise, heated seats, 20k, met red £10795

15 15 BMW 220 D M Sport 2dr Coupe Automatic, sat nav, m sport plus pack, 39k, blue, full leather £14995

16 65 BMW 318 D Sport 4dr, sat nav, 19"alloys, dab, cruise, blue £11995

16 16 BMW 318 D M Sport 4dr, heated seats, 19"alloys, sat nav, 30k, grey, full leather £15495

16 66 BMW 320 D ED Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Jan 2020, sat nav, heated seats, grey, full leather £14295

16 66 BMW 320 D ED Sport Estate Automatic, BMW warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, heated seats, grey, full leather £12495

16 66 BMW 320 D M Sport Estate Automatic, heated seats, 19"alloys, grey, full leather £16995

18 18 BMW 320 D Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty March 2021, sat nav, heated seats, cruise, Bluetooth, 6k, white £18495

11 61 BMW 325 3.0 D M Sport 2dr Coupe Automatic, 19"alloys, Bluetooth, white, full leather £8995

16 66 BMW 330 D M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, Harman kardon, 18"alloys, 32k, grey £18995

17 67 BMW 330 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Nov 2020, pro media - sat nav, m sport + pack, head up display, 14k, met grey, full oyster leather £22995

16 16 BMW 335 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic (310bhp), sat nav, privacy glass, 30k, grey, full leather £18995

17 17 BMW 335 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty July 2020, 19"alloys, m sport + pack, xenons, blue £20995

16 16 BMW 430i M Sport 2dr Automatic (252bhp), M sport plus pack, 19" alloys, Harman Kardon, wide screen sat nav, met grey, full leather £18495

16 16 BMW 418 D Sport 2dr, BMW warranty March 2019, business media sat nav, dab, heated seats, 31k, black, full leather £14995

15 15 BMW 420 D Sport Convertible, 19"alloys, comfort pack, 30k, black, full leather £16995

15 15 BMW 420 D Sport Gran Coupe 5dr (190bhp), sat nav, heated seats, privacy glass, white, full leather £12995

15 65 BMW 420 DXDrive Luxury 2dr Coupe Automatic, sat nav, heated seats, 39k, grey, full leather £15795

15 65 BMW 420 D XDrive M Sport Coupe Automatic, sat nav, 16k, blue, full leather £18495

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16 16 BMW 420 D M Sport Convertible Automatic, m sport plus pack, reverse camera, 16k, choice, full leather £20795

16 66 BMW 420 D M Sport 2dr Coupe Automatic, sat nav, 19"alloys, privacy glass, 25k, grey, full leather £18995

17 66 BMW 420 DSE Gran Coupe 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty March 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, 27k, black, full leather £16995

17 17 BMW 420 I M Sport 2dr Coupe Automatic, BMW warranty Aug 2020, pro media sat nav, Bluetooth, 29k, grey, full leather £18495

17 17 BMW 420 I XDrive Sport Gran Coupe 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty Sept 2020, sat nav, 25k, grey, full leather £18995

17 67 BMW 420 D Sport Gran Coupe 5dr (190bhp), BMW warranty Sept 2020, sat nav, 20k, black, full leather £18995

16 16 BMW 430 D M Sport 2dr Coupe Automatic, pro sat nav, xenons, 30k, choice, full leather £18995

16 66 BMW 430 D M Sport 2dr Convertible Automatic, m sport plus pack, sat nav, 37k, grey, full leather £22995

16 16 BMW 435 D XDrive M Sport 5dr Gran Coupe Automatic, m sport plus pack, sat nav, 36k, white, full leather £23995

15 15 BMW 435 I M Sport Convertible Automatic, m sport plus pack, head up display, 19"alloys, black, full leather £22995

18 18 BMW M4 3.0 2dr Coupe DCT Automatic, competition pack, BMW warranty March 2021, sat nav, head up display, competition pack, Harman kardon, 16k, white, full leather £38995

15 65 BMW 520 DSE 4dr Automatic, electric glass sunroof, privacy glass, sat nav, white, full leather £13495

16 16 BMW 520 D M Sport 4dr Automatic, sat nav, m sport plus pack, 26k, choice, full leather, from £16495

16 16 BMW 520 D M Sport Estate Automatic (190BHP), 19"alloys, Harman kardon, sat nav, white, full leather £14995

16 66 BMW 520 D M Sport 4dr, pro media – sat nav, reverse camera, privacy glass, 27k, black, full leather £16995

17 67 BMW 520 D M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, heated seats, grey, full leather £21995

18 18 BMW 530 E I Performance M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty June 2021, sat nav, 19"alloys, dab, 11k, blue, full leather £26995

16 66 BMW 640 D M Sport 2dr Convertible Automatic, sat nav, 20"alloys, m sport + pack, beige soft top, 27k, white, full leather £26995

17 66 BMW i3 94AH with Range Extender 5dr, BMW warranty Jan 2020, pro media – sat nav, 19"alloys, 16k, blue, full leather £21995

15 65 BMW X1 D XDrive X-Line 5dr Automatic, sat nav, 18"alloys, 32k, bronze, full leather £17995

16 66 BMW X1 2.0 D XDrive M Sport 5dr Automatic, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, 17k, silver £18995

16 66 BMW X1 2.0 XDrive D M Sport 5dr, BMW warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, heated seats, 18"alloys, 21k, estoril blue £17995

18 18 BMW X2 2.0 SDrive I M Sport 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty June 2021, sat nav, 19"alloys, pdc, 23k, blue £23995

18 68 BMW X2 2.0 I M Sport X 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty Jan 2021, sat nav, 19"alloys, service pack, only 2k, black £26995

16 16 BMW X3 D XDrive M Sport 5dr Automatic, pro media – sat nav, reverse camera, white, full leather £19995

15 15 BMW X4 3.0 D XDrive M Sport 5dr Automatic, 20"Alloys, head up display, reverse camera, 20k, white, full leather £23495

16 66 BMW X4 D XDrive M Sport 5dr Automatic, m sport plus pack, sat nav, pdc, black, full leather £22995

16 66 BMW X5 3.0 D XDrive M Sport 5dr Automatic (7-Seater), 20"alloys, sat nav, m sport plus pack, 30k, grey, full leather £31995

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15 65 MINI ONE 1.2 3dr, pepper pack, 16k, orange £7495

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15 65 MINI COOPER 1.5 5dr, chilli + tlc pack, cruise, Bluetooth, 14k, met blue, half-leather £9995

16 16 MINI COOPER 1.5 3dr, pepper + tlc pack, 16"black alloys, 28k, grey £9495

16 66 MINI COOPER 1.5 5dr, Mini warranty Dec 2019, Bluetooth, dab, air-con, aux, usb, met blue, 27k £9995

16 66 MINI COOPER 1.5 3dr, chilli+tlc pack, 17"black alloys, heated seats, 23k, silver, half-leather £10995

17 67 MINI COOPER 2.0 S 3dr (192bhp), Mini warranty Nov 2020, chilli pack, cruise, 17"alloys, Bluetooth, 6k, blue £13495

17 67 MINI COOPER 2.0 S Seven 5dr (192bhp), Mini warranty Oct 2020, chilli pack, sat nav, cruise, 9k, choice, half-leather £13995

18 18 MINI COOPER 2.0 S 5dr (190bhp), sat nav, apple carplay, privacy glass, 8k, choice £14295

14 64 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 5dr Automatic, media xl pack – sat nav, chilli + tlc pack, 25k, blue, half-leather £9795

15 64 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 3dr, chilli pack, heated seats, 17"alloys, 23k, black, half-leather £7995

15 65 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 5dr, chilli+tlc pack, media xl – sat nav, black alloys, 12k, Met brown £9495

16 16 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 3dr Automatic, privacy glass, cruise, chilli pack, 15k, grey, half-leather £10995

16 66 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 5dr, Mini warranty Dec 2019, air-con, Bluetooth, aux, usb, 25k, white £8995

16 66 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 3dr, pan roof, sat nav, chilli pack, 16k, white, half-leather £11495

18 18 MINI COOPER 1.5 DII 5dr (Facelift), Mini warranty July 2021, John Cooper Works chilli pack, 17"black alloys, privacy glass, red £13995

16 66 MINI COOPER 2.0 SD 5dr (170bhp), Mini warranty Nov 2019, cruise, Bluetooth, dab, 11k, white £10995

14 64 MINI COOPER 2.0 SD 3dr, chilli + tlc pack, cruise, privacy glass, 27k, white £9795

16 16 MINI CLUBMAN 1.5 6dr Estate, sat nav, chilli + tlc pack, 33k, black, half-leather £10995

16 16 MINI CLUBMAN 2.0 D 6dr Automatic, pan roof, media pack – sat nav, chilli pack, 23k, silver, half-leather £14495

15 65 MINI COUPE 1.6 2dr, chilli+tlc pack, black roof + mirror caps, 14k, white, half-leather £7995

16 16 MINI COUNTRYMAN 1.6 S 5dr Automatic (184bhp), media pack – sat nav, John Cooper Works sport pack, 16k, red, full leather £16495

13 63 MINI COUNTRYMAN 2.0 SD 5dr (143bhp), chilli pack, 18"alloys, 35k, red, half-leather £8495

17 17 MINI COUNTRYMAN 2.0 D ALL4 5dr, privacy glass, chilli+tlc pack, 24k, green £15995

16 66 MINI PACEMAN 1.6 ALL4 3dr Automatic, media pack – sat nav, pepper pack, tlc pack, 7k, silver, half-leather £12995

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17 17 AUDI Q2 1.6 TDI S-Line 5dr, Audi warranty April 2020, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, 17k, white, half-leather....£17995
15 65 AUDI Q3 2.0 TDI Quattro S-Line 5dr S-Tronic, sat nav, dab, heated seats, 33k, grey, half-leather....£16995
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17 66 FORD ECOSPORT 1.0 EcoBoost 140 Titanium S 5dr, Ford warranty Feb 2020, cruise, Bluetooth, 21k, yellow, half-leather....£9995
16 16 FORD FIESTA 1.0 EcoBoost 140 Zetec S 3dr, sat nav, aux, usb, white....£7995
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14 64 FORD FIESTA 1.25 82 Zetec 3dr, air-con, Bluetooth, aux, usb, 18k, gold....£6495
15 15 FORD FOCUS 1.0 ECoBoost 125 Zetec 5dr, appearance pack, 17"alloys, privacy glass, white....£6995
18 68 FORD FOCUS 1.0 ECoBoost 125 ST-Line Nav 5dr (New Model), Ford warranty Oct 2021, sat nav, pdc, dab, 5k, blue....£16995
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16 66 FORD KUGA 1.5 EcoBoost Titanium 5dr, appearance pack, convenience pack, sat nav, 34k, white, half-leather....£12495
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17 67 HYUNDAI i30 1.0 T GDI SE Nav 5dr, Hyundai warranty Nov 2022, sat nav, reverse camera, cruise, Bluetooth, 20k, white....£10995
16 16 HYUNDAI i30 1.6 CRDI BlueDrive Premium 5dr, Hyundai warranty June 2021, sat nav, 27k, choice, full leather....£9495
15 15 HYUNDAI SANTA FE 2.2 CRDI Premium 5dr (7-Seater), sat nav, reverse camera, 52k, red, full leather.....£13995
16 16 HYUNDAI SANTA FE 2.2 CRDI BlueDrive Premium SE 5dr (7-Seater), Hyundai warranty June 2021, sat nav, pan roof, grey, full leather....£16795
17 66 HYUNDAI TUCSON 1.7 CRD BlueDrive SE Nav 5dr, Hyundai warranty March 2022, sat nav, heated seats, reverse camera, choice....£10995
16 66 HYUNDAI TUCSON 2.0 CRD Premium 4WD 5dr Automatic, Hyundai warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, reverse camera, 19"alloys, 18k, grey, full leather....£16795
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11 61 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE 3.0 CRD Limited 5dr Automatic 4WD, white....£10995
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17 17 JEEP RENEGADE 1.4 MultiAir 5dr, Jeep warranty May 2020, sat nav, 4k, black, full leather....£12995
18 68 KIA CEED 1.4 T GDI ISG Blue Edition 5dr, Kia warranty Dec 20025, sat nav, reverse camera, 8k, blue....£15995
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16 16 KIA SPORTAGE 1.6 T GDI GT-Line AWD 5dr (175bhp), Kia warranty Aug 2023, sat nav, 19"alloys, full leather, 28k, met red....£14295
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16 66 KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRD ISG 4 5dr, Kia warranty Oct 2023, sunroof, sat nav, red, full leather....£12995
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16 66 KIA SPORTAGE 2.0 CRDI First Edition 5dr Automatic 4WD, Kia warranty Sept 2023, sat nav, sunroof, 24k, white, full leather....£17495
17 17 KIA SPORTAGE 2.0 CRDI KX-4 AWD 5dr, pan roof, sat nav, cruise, reverse camera, 23k, choice, full leather....£15995
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12 12 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER EVOQUE 2.2 SD4 Dynamic 5dr Automatic, sat nav, privacy glass, red, full leather....£14995
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17 66 MERCEDES A180 D Sport Premium 5dr, Mercedes warranty Feb 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, 7k, white....£15495
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17 67 MERCEDES C250 D AMG Line 2dr Convertible Automatic, Mercedes warranty Dec 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, 12k, blue, full leather....£23995
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16 16 PEUGEOT 208 1.6 BlueHDI Active 5dr, cruise, air-con, 37k, blue....£5995
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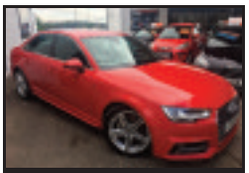

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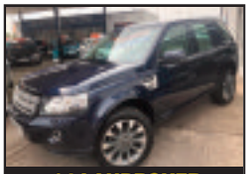

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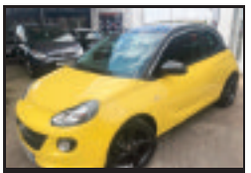

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The St Mary's seniors cut back on clubs

THE rules of golf say that a golfer can carry no more than 14 clubs in his or her bag and, with golf clubs normally bought as a full set, the great majority do, indeed, have a close to fully loaded bag.

But when St Mary's senior section's Gareth Thomas won a recent Stableford competition with an impressive 35 points (just one less than par), all he had in his bag were a driver, a six iron, nine iron and putter.

The section's annual three clubs and a putter competition was keenly contested by 27 of their number and, as in previous years, the excellent scoring once again raised the question as to why 14 clubs are carried every other week of the year!

Roger Hatton and Wayne Newton were tied one point back on 34 points, Newton settling for third place after a count back.

Two days later, on a beautiful late summer day with the course looking its absolute best, early starters Gordon Martin and Andrew Lane beat Jon Paton and Wayne Newton 3 and 2 in the final of the summer pairs competition.

Teeing off immediately afterwards, 18 of the section's members embarked on a team yellow ball competition. One member of each team of three players was nominated the 'yellow ball' player, the designation alternating between each of the three players hole by hole.

Scoring was once again in the Stableford system with, on every hole, the yellow ball score (doubled) and the better of the other two scores counting.

Graham Jones, Brian Callow and Mike Tayler were the only team to beat the par for this format of 108 points, claiming the victory with a fine score of 117.

NL

VoG Football League round-up

RHOOSE Social sprang a huge cup upset, only a few months into existence, when the first division side dumped Premier Division Champions Barry Athletic out of the Barry Cup at the first hurdle.

Goals from Dan Morgan, Jack Cutajar and Shaun Jachontow saw Holton Road knock cup holders Cowbridge Town out with a 3-0 victory.

In the final first round tie, Penarth Town picked up their first win of the season to eliminate Barry Vikings, with Rhys Fford, David Shallis, Sam Wooster and Callum Eva notching in a 4-1 win.

In the Premier Division, Island Marine certainly look like the real deal as they continued their 100 per cent start to the campaign with an impressive 4-1 victory at Cardiff Airport to go top.

Tom Case and Joey Matthews put Tynewydd 2-0 up at half time against Cadoxton Imps, but this week it was Imps who came back, as Gez Parry came off the bench to turn the game around. Ryan Davis, Ryan Warden and Jordan Turner got the goals in an eventual 3-2 win.

St Athan bounced back after disappointment last week to secure a 3-1 victory over Cogan Coronation, Sean Lucas amongst the goals.

In Division One, Cadoxton Barry's perfect start is over as they were held 2-2 by Vale United.

AFC Rhoose B stay top of the division as they picked up an impressive 6-2 victory over Penarth Town B. Josh Rowe and James Austin banged in a brace apiece with Ciaran Webb and Ethan Park adding the others.

Island Marine B continued their impressive start to go second with a 2-0 triumph over SP Billy.

Vale Madrid made it two wins in a row as they saw off St Athan B 3-0.

And finally, Holton Road B edged Barry Athletic B 3-2 in an entertaining contest. Cole Saunders, Marc Williams and Josh Bell grabbing the goals.

HD

Barwick Cup is final event of season at Cowbridge

THE Cowbridge Bowling Club held its last competitive event of the outdoor bowling season on September 21, with the annual ladies v gents match for the Barwick Cup.

Played in beautiful sunshine, all six rinks were taken up by the 48 players who took part.

The cup was won by the ladies in 2018 by the closest of margins (the scores being level but the ladies having won four rinks against two) so the men were almost as determined to win it back as the ladies were to retain it!

By the halfway stage the men were leading by nine shots, being ahead on three rinks, tied on one and behind on two.

In the second half, Bob Penn and Alan Wallace continued to consolidate their leads, and six shots on the last two ends helped Colin Wilson overcome Shirley Wilkinson's team.

There were close battles on two rinks between the teams of Roger Barwick and Helen Nixon, and Norman Wilkinson and Sandra Collin with both men's teams squeezing through by 17 –15.

On the final rink, the ladies of Tina Payne, Gloria Howell, Caryl Davies and skip Kay Edwards had a good win against Mansel Davey, Tom Purnell, Terry Foley and skip Dennis Snelling 16–10.

A superb tea was provided by the ladies of the club and the club president, Mary Thomas, presented the Barwick Cup to the men's team captain, Norman Wilkinson.

There was one further surprise for Norman when he was presented with a bottle of malt whisky from the men of the club in recognition of his contribution over many years as men's team captain. Since 2004 he has been captain eight times and he has promised his wife Shirley that 2019 was definitely the last time... we'll see!

We look forward to our annual lunch on November 22 when all the awards will be presented to the winners and runners up of this season's competitions.

AWW

Latest news from Barrivale Bridge

THE results for Barrivale Bridge Club Nancy Malpas Trophy on September 17 are as follows:

First, Peter Millar and Jane Brook 58.73 per cent; second, Mike Close and Mick Green 57.14; third, Noelle Bond and Mark Roderick 56.35.

The handicap winners were Peter and Jane.

We welcome new members and a partner may be arranged, if required.

Telephone 01446 418380 or 01446 733425 or 01446 735592 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl Road, Barry at 7pm on Tuesday evening.

If you wish to start learning bridge, come along to the Pioneer Hall on Fridays at 10am-12.30pm. You will be taught by experienced bridge players and handouts are provided.

Thursdays are also for assisted play from 1.30pm-4pm at the Barry Uniting Church, Heol y Llongau, Barry CF63 4AP.

LH

Penarth Bowling Club aims for grant

SENIOR officers of Penarth Bowling Club recently met representatives of the Vale Council and Bowls Wales to investigate the possibility of accessing funds from the local Community Chest.

A club spokesman said: "The purpose of applying for a grant from this fund would be to promote the game of bowls within our locality, but specifically at Penarth Bowling Club.

"The club boasts a mixed membership of 108 full, 110 affiliated and 41 summer Indoor members. Facilities include an excellent six-rink outdoor green, a four-rink indoor stadium, comfortable lounge and dining areas and a competitively priced bar.

"All of the club facilities are managed and run by a hard working core of members.

"The management committee, which is appointed annually, administers the running and affairs of the club.

"The club is anxious to arrest the demise of interest in joining bowling clubs and hopes that the grant available, should they qualify for it, will assist their aims. The cash will be used on a number of initiatives to encourage and welcome new members of all ages.

"The club is also intending using its facilities for other groups and organisations which may find the premises suitable for them."

NC

Highwaymen upset last year's champs

ON September 1,7 the 2019 – 2020 season of the Cowbridge Darts League got underway.

Last year's runners-up, the Highwayman Inn, got off to a good start, defeating last year's champions the Edmondes B in a very tight game 10-9. In this match the season saw its first 180, hit by Paul Cates from the Highwayman.

In another tight game, the One Town Hall Square team beat the Hairy Farmers 11-8.

In the other two matches, the Victoria Inn beat the Red Lion Inn 13-8 and the Farmers Arms beat the Edmondes C 13-6. The Edmondes A did not have a game.

Notable performances in these games were Dan Thomas (One Town Hall Square) with a 94 two-dart checkout and Jean Curnow (Red Lion Inn) with a 66 checkout.

Present league standings are therefore: Farmers Arms and Victoria Inn (13 points), One Town Hall Square (11), Highwayman Inn (10), Edmondes B (9), Hairy Farmers and Red Lion Inn (8), Edmondes C (6) and Edmondes A, who had a bye, (0).

Next week, Tuesday, October 1, we have the Fours knockout competition. All matches will be played at the Edmondes Arms.

All matches start at 8.15pm and spectators are always welcome. For further information e-mail Paul at *cowbridge-darts@gmail.com*, up-to-date information can be found on the website: *www.darts.apsn.co.uk*.

PJT

Brothers take karate titles

BRIDGEND brothers Tomy Joshua (8) and Tyler Joshua (7) recently represented the Welsh Shotokan Karate Organisation at the British Karate Federation International Championships in Ravenscraig, Scotland with Gerwyn Harries of Ystrad Rhondda Shotokan Club.

Tomy, who attends Bryncethin Primary School, became the official British Karate Federation gold medalist and under-10 British champion.

Tyler, who attends the same school, was runner-up and bronze medalist in the competition.

AS

Pool league is re-named

THE 2019/20 season of the Joe Barnett Vale of Glamorgan Pool League started on September 19.

Previously the Asprou Barbers VOG League, it was renamed after its founder, Joe Barnett, who died in 2018.

The week's largest margin victory was 10-2 by the Rhoose Pot Jacks away to the Vale Wanderers, with Paul Michael and Gary Williams both winning four out of four.

There were also convincing victories for Billy Whizz by 9-3 against the Glenbrook Titans (John Farrugia and Mark Ingram winning four out of four), Libs Rejects by 8-4 against Finnegans; Witchill Wildcats by 8-4 against the Baruc-Cue-Das (Ian and James Hill winning three out of three) and Castle Dark Lords by 8-4 against the Rhoose Social Pocket Dynamos. The remaining game was a closer contest won 7-5 by Coco Nuts against King William IV (Graham Avaient winning three out of three).

MD

Finals weekend for Llantwit ladies

BEFORE starting Llantwit Major Bowls Club ladies' finals weekend, a team visited Cowbridge with both ladies and gentlemen playing.

All five Llantwit teams took an early lead but it was not to be.

Ian, Margaret, Mike and John were even on the last end but lost 12-13.

Glyn, Rosemary, Ros and Carol fared better, building on their lead for a comfortable win by 21-8.

Joan, Pat, Etta and Marilyn were 10-all on the 11th but only managed one more shot, losing 11-18.

Gaynor, Viv, Jenny and Eric were in the lead until the ninth end when Cowbridge came back with a three and a four to win 16–8. Tom, Glenda, Arthur and Julie held the lead until the last end where Cowbridge managed a two and drew the game 14-14.

Thank you Cowbridge for your warm welcome.

Saturday saw the start of finals weekend.

First off were Julie G and Gaynor who played Julie M and Marian, an excellent game but experience came through with Julie M and Marian the winners 12-20.

It was then the two wood pairs where Gaynor (in her first season) was playing with Jenny against Joan and Liz. Gaynor and Jenny kept the pressure on throughout and won 19–12.

Next were Julie M and Carol against Liz and Dilys. It was an excellent game and although Julie M and Carol went into the lead at the start it was not for long, with Liz and Dilys taking the lead on the seventh and scoring a four and a couple of threes, making it a win for Liz and Dilys 19–13.

Judy and Ros were next, playing the Tyro, aimed at those who have never won a competition Ros went into a comfortable lead but by the 11th Judy had fought back to even the score Ros scored a three on the next end but could not stop Judy, who went onto win 22-16.

Then it was time for the Championship the most coveted prize in the club. Gaynor, our first year player, was playing Julie, winner of this competition a number of times.

Julie started well but Gaynor went into the lead on the sixth and kept it till the 10th when a three from Julie put her back in a lead which she held to the end, winning 21-10. Well done to both players and congratulations to Julie M our club champion.

This was followed by an excellent celebratory tea.

Well done to all participants and thank you to all who supported them.

Some of our new members joined us after for a taste of short mat bowls during the winter months.

If you have a couple of hours to spare and want to give it a go come along to our clubhouse where you will be most welcome; and perhaps you will be on the bowling green next summer.

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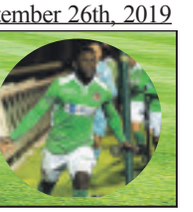

Cowbridge RFC triumph in 'fractious' encounter

ON another glorious Saturday afternoon at the Athletic Ground, Cowbridge took on fellow Division Two team Cilfynydd in the first round of the WRU Plate – and what a fractious game it was.

Cowbridge couldn't have had a better start as an early penalty took the boys into the visitors 22. From the ensuing lineout the ball was spun out to No 10 Gareth Williams-Davies, who jinked past the first line of defence and fed the flying Sam Stephens to crash over for a fine try after just four minutes, converted by wing Zac Summerhayes.

Cilfynydd soon reduced the deficit with a penalty. The rest of the half was littered with penalties. Cowbridge's best chance came when James Bennett and Aaron Bowman drove up-field with George Thomas taking the ball on and gaining a penalty.

An extra 10 metres for Cowbridge was accompanied by Cilfynydd's first card of the match – a yellow. With half-time looming both sides tried to run the ball but to no avail.

Half time: Cowbridge 7 Cilfynydd 3.

With Sam Stephens injured, Zac Summerhayes moved to centre and Jordan Robbins came on at wing. A Cowbridge scrum on the Cil 22 allowed scrum half Hywel Williams to take the ball on, feeding George Thomas to drive over the line and Summerhayes added the extras.

At 14-3, the boys appeared to pulling away but Cil put paid to that notion as, within a couple of minutes, they drove from a lineout for a converted try.

Not to be outdone, Cowbridge stormed back as the Cowbridge half-backs Williams and Williams Davies linked with Jamie Bennett, feeding centre Ash Thomas, who superbly split the defence to put No 8 Tom Higgins over under the posts. Summerhayes again converted.

Cil were straight back on the attack and soon scored their second try after 20 minutes, missing the conversion.

Tom James replaced Sumerhayes and from the kick off Ash Thomas went on one of his trademark weaving runs only to be held up on the 22.

It was great to see Richie Howson join the fray after a long layoff with injury – which had nothing to do with the unpleasantness that followed.

A red card for an elbow in the face resulted in a Cowbridge penalty, converted by Alex Guard. Despite their reduced numbers, Cil started to put on the pressure only to be thwarted by a great Hywel Williams tackle and Ash Thomas clearance.

However the visitors' pressure soon paid off with an unconverted pushover try, making it 24–20.

There followed a strange passage of play. Williams-Davies had split the Cil defence and was clear to run the 50 metres to score when the ref blew up, gave a second red card to Cil for punching and gave Cowbridge a penalty. No one seemed to know why he whistled before the try could be scored.

In a frantic eight minutes of added time Cowbridge missed a penalty, the depleted visitors' pack came close to a push over try, only for Cowbridge to be awarded a scrum on their line and clear – and that was it.

Final score: Cowbridge 24 Cilfynydd 20.

So, a close, hard-fought victory, with Cowbridge keeping their cool despite everything thrown at them. The front row of Chris Morris, Craig Boxall and George Thomas deserve a special mention – they were outstanding throughout. With several regulars missing all the boys put on a performance they can be proud of.

This Saturday we travel to Taffs Well, followed by Abercynon at home on October 5. We should be playing Gilfach Goch away on the 12th but as it coincides with the second round of the Plate, and as the Plate takes precedence, that game will have to be postponed. We do not yet know who our opponents will be in the second round.

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Llantwit Major U13s are ready for a new season

Llantwit Major under-13s, photographed by Andy Wicks.

LLANTWIT Major AFC under-13s are delighted with their new kit for the new season.

A team spokesman said: "Massive thanks go to Andrew Staples and his business Bonny Tiler for his support and sponsorship!!

"The boys,family, friends and Llantwit Major AFC are proud to wear the company name on our shirts. Thank you!"

MP

Llantwit Major get back on the winning track

LLANTWIT Major travelled west to Cwmamman Utd for this Friday evening game and were determined to get back on the winning trail after three successive home defeats.

By playing some excellent football and totally dominating proceedings in the first half, the game was all over as a contest as Llantwit Major scored three goals by the interval.

Goals from Kyran Gardner after 13 minutes and further goals from Harry Davies in the 30th minute and from Rob Jones in the 40th minute saw Llantwit return to the changing rooms at half time with a healthy lead.

In the second half, Llantwit were unlucky not to further increase their tally as a shot from Rob Jones was cleared off the goal line and further efforts from Josh Morgan and Kyran Gardner were just over the cross bar.

Although Llantwit conceded a goal midway into the second half they were well in control of this game and thoroughly deserved their away win.

Llantwit's next league game in the JD Cymru South Championship is away to Briton Ferry on Saturday, September 28, kick off 2.30 pm.

Llantwit Major: *Jack Lansdown, Jamie Miller, Kristian Evans, Sean Williams, Kyran Gardner, Jonathan Fletcher (captain), Jonathan Butler, Nathan Jones (Nathan Renfree 79), Rob Jones (Lee Jones 56), Harry Davies, Josh Morgan.*

Substitutes not used: *Max Morgan, Gethin Jennings*.

Llantwit Major AFC – weekly lottery draw, September 22. Numbers drawn: 3, 8, 20 and 23: There were no winners and next week's Jackpot (September 29) has increased to £730.

DJ

Llantwit fight hard against higher-ranked opponents

THE Blood and Blacks of Llantwit Major RFC travelled to Pontyclun in the National Cup and the home side, who are in the division above them, showed their experience and proved too strong, winning an entertaining game 26–17.

Pontyclun reached the semi finals of this cup last season and had started this season with two comfortable league wins so Llantwit knew they had a tough task taking on the The Badgers on their own patch.

But Llantwit were in no way overawed by their opponents and arguably edged the opening phases, but then Pontyclun scored two quick tries.

Both were scored out wide, the first from a good cross kick which, when executed well, is so difficult to defend against.

The second was more a case of being outnumbered in defence as the home side applied the pressure at the breakdown.

Llantwit kept in touch with a penalty and then some good set piece work in the 22 allowed outside half Josh Austin to show some quick feet to dance over and the scoreline suddenly wasn't so daunting at 14-10 at the break.

The second half though saw Pontyclun come off of the blocks and throw everything at Llantwit, no doubt in an attempt to gain control and dampen any thoughts of a cup upset. With Llantwit back-pedalling, the defensive wall was soon broken and Pontyclun once again stretched their lead to 21-10.

Once again though, the Llantonians battled back into the game and with the pack holding their own and even putting pressure on the big Pontyclun eight in the scrum. A good phase of play was rewarded when three quarter Rhys Balmont found himself in space and scored a great individual try; stepping inside two defenders before racing away from the covering defence. The conversion brought the game to a knife edge for the last quarter at 21-17.

With the next score no doubt deciding the outcome, Llantwit had their best period as they camped themselves in their opponents' 22, but as much as they tried they just couldn't finish off the good field positions and plays they worked so hard to develop.

Admittedly, a fine defensive display by the home side didn't help their cause but also poor execution during some crucial plays were also to blame.

As is often the case in these tight affairs, they were soon to have their spirits broken as a rare venture in the last period into the visitors' half saw Pontyclun cross for the final try.

Llantwit were left wondering what might have been as they came so close. But even though it was a close game and Llantwit did battle well, Pontyclun were worthy winners, having led throughout.

The Blood and Blacks can take a lot of positives out of the game. Their set piece play more than matched their opponents and they showed that their own rugby skills were not out of place against a higher league outfit.

Rhys Balmont, despite picking up a late yellow card, still did enough in his robust tackling and open running to claim man of the match. Further mention should go to Jamie Lewis, who put in a solid display at number eight.

This week there is no let up as Llantwit go back on the road in the league as they travel to Tonyrefail, who have had a very impressive start to the season, kick off at 2:30pm. Then on Sunday, the clubhouse will be open from 8am for the eagerly-awaited World Cup game, Wales v Australia. The bar will be open with tea and coffee available and half time food.

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Llantwit battle against Rhoose

LLANTWIT Major Junior under-14s are still seeking their first win of the season after a courageous battle with Rhoose FC.

Llantwit, playing at home, started brightly but Rhoose slowly took control. Three goals in quick succession gave Rhoose a cushion. Llantwit, to their credit responded well and finished the half strongly.

The second half saw Llantwit increase their intensity. A number of chances were created and the Rhoose keeper did well to make several fine saves to keep out Corey Burgess, Cam Carroll and Rhys Edwards.

Following a fourth Rhoose goal, Llantwit finally got on the score sheet. Good work down the left by Lewys Morgan saw the keeper fail to clear and Carroll was in space with the goal open. He drove the ball into the bottom left corner to bring the scoreline back to 1-4.

Rhoose found the net on two occasions after further poor defending from Llantwit. Instead of dropping their heads however, the Llantwit boys responded.

Good work from the impressive Corey Burgess resulted in a chance for Edwards who turned the ball home.

The final Llantwit goal came after more pressur. Carroll was again involved as his whipped in corner rebounded off the away team's full back to reduce the score line to 3-6. Man of the match was Ruebyn Jones for his tireless work in midfield.

"All the hard work from pre-season is starting to show on a match day, with special mention to Ethan Coates who is is starting to grow into his new position at right back" said Llantwit manager Luke Johnson.

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